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Vehicle Pursuit - Arrest

Prineville, Oregon

Location: 8051 SW Yahooskin, Powell Butte, Oregon

Arrested: Edward Leon Simpson age 49, 8051 SW Yahooskin, Powell Butte, Oregon.

Charged: Attempt to Elude a Police Officer-Felony, Reckless Driving and a Deschutes County Warrant for Failure to Appear.

Custody Status: Currently incarcerated in the Crook County Jail. Bail: \$20,000

On 07-08-07 at about 12:26am Prineville Police attempted to stop a vehicle being driven by Edward Leon Simpson of Powell Butte. The vehicle was traveling east bound on HWY 126 near Millican Rd when, after a citizen's traffic complaint of dangerous driving came in, a Prineville Police Officer attempted to stop Simpson's vehicle. Simpson sped up, turned around on the grade and lead officers on a pursuit into the Powell Butte area, where Simpson's vehicle reached speeds exceeding 120mph. Officers ended the pursuit after losing sight of Simpson's vehicle. Simpson was contacted about two hours later at his residence by Deputies from the Crook County Sheriff's Office and Oregon State Police, where he was arrested without incident on the above charges.

Eric Bush
Chief of Police