




Press Release

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Officer Involved Shooting Update

At approximately 5:35pm on July 4, 2013, the Itasca County Sheriff's Office was engaged in a high speed pursuit. The Itasca County Sheriff's Department requested assistance from the Grand Rapids Police Department. During the course of the pursuit the suspect vehicle tried to intentionally ram and run patrol units and civilian vehicles off the road.

When the vehicle entered Grand Rapids city limits, our officers encountered the suspect vehicle and during that time Officer William Saw discharged his duty weapon into the suspect vehicle, neither the officer or suspect were injured and Officer Saw has been placed on standard paid administrative leave. Officer Saw is a three year veteran with the Grand Rapids Police Department.

A 17 year old juvenile male suspect was taken into custody as a result of the incident and is currently being held at the Itaskin Juvenile Detention Center awaiting formal Charging.

The Minnesota BCA and Itasca County Sheriff's Office are investigating the incident.