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Dump Truck Crashes Into Railroad Trestle After Failing to Lower Dump Bed

July 17, 2017 – A dump truck failed to lower its dump bed and struck a railroad trestle. Northwest Helvetia Road near Northwest Phillips Road and the railway are closed until further notice.

On Monday, July 17, 2017, at 11:37 a.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a traffic crash on Northwest Helvetia Road at the railroad trestle near Northwest Phillips Road outside of Hillsboro.



Deputies learned that a 2000 Mack dump truck, operated by V & K Construction, had not fully lowered its dump bed when it attempted to pass under the trestle. The truck struck the trestle, causing significant damage to the railway and dump truck.

The driver sustained minor injuries and was treated at the scene by Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue. He was later cited for violating posted use limits, careless driving, and no seat belt.

Due to safety concerns, Northwest Helvetia Road will be closed from Northwest Grossen Drive to NW Dierdorff Road until further notice. Drivers are asked to use alternate travel routes.

The railway, which is an active route operated by Portland & Western Railroad, is out of service until further notice.

