

# MEDIA RELEASE

## Vehicle Hit by Train After Driver Runs Off Road, Becomes Stuck on Tracks

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On Friday, February 22, 2019, at 3:34 a.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to multiple reports of a collision involving a train and vehicle near the intersection of Southwest 173<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Southwest Shaw Street in Aloha.

During their investigation, deputies learned that a silver 2002 BMW 3-Series drove northbound through the end of a T-intersection and became stuck on the tracks. A Portland & Western Railroad train, comprised of two engines and 33 cars, struck the BMW and pushed it east about 15 feet.

The driver was out of the vehicle when the collision occurred and was uninjured.



The driver of the BMW, a 20-year-old Aloha man, was cited for driving under the influence of intoxicants. Deputies believe he likely had a combination of drugs and alcohol in his system. Toxicology results are pending.

The involved vehicle was towed from the scene. Railroad personnel also responded. The Beaverton Police Department assisted with the investigation.



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