

NEWS RELEASE

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CASE NUMBER: 07- 543

DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT: January 18, 2007 @ 2:43 p.m.

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NATURE OF STORY: Fatal Traffic Collision

LOCATION: London Road & Mile Post 1.5

**INVOLVED: Shirley Ann Black, DOB 07-22-1938
74001 Cougar Mountain Road
Cottage Grove OR 97424**

DETAILS: The Lane County Sheriffs Office Traffic Safety Team is investigating a Traffic Collision that occurred on London Road at Mile Post 1.5 South of Cottage Grove. Shirley Ann Black was pronounced dead at the scene by responding Paramedics. Black was the only occupant in her vehicle.

Preliminary investigation indicates Black lost control of her 1999 Lincoln as she entered a curve. Her vehicle then slid sideways off of the roadway impacting and severing a power pole on the driver's side of her vehicle. Alcohol does not appear to be a factor in this collision.

EPUD crews responded to the area to repair the damaged power pole. EPUD crews advised power would be out for the surrounding area while crews replace the involved power pole.

For additional information contact: Sergeant Fred Swank of the Lane County Sheriffs Office at 682-2030.

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