

Truck slams into Highway Patrol car on US HWY 17

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A 39-year-old Beaufort County man has been charged in connection with a three-vehicle wreck on U.S. Highway 17 involving a parked N.C. Highway Patrol vehicle last week.

Anthony Kent, of the 500 block of Pirate Cove Road, Washington, was charged with both failure to reduce speed and causing serious injury, according to an accident report released by the Highway Patrol on Wednesday. The wreck happened just over the Perquimans County line.

Kent was driving a 2014 Dodge Ram pickup north on U.S. 17 when he rear-

ended a 2014 patrol car that was parked partly in the left lane of the roadway, its lights flashing, just north of the Okisko Road interchange on Aug. 9.

A patrol official said Trooper P.A. Logsdon had parked the patrol car partly on the roadway after stopping a 2004 Cadillac sedan driven by George Simpson, 55, of the 100 block of Court St., Edenton.

According to the report, both the patrol car and the Cadillac were partially in the left northbound lane when Kent failed to reduce speed and collided with the patrol car. The impact pushed the patrol vehicle into Simpson's Cadillac, the report states.

A patrol official at the scene of the collision said Logsdon was unharmed but that the driver of the Cadillac had to be transported to Sentara Albemarle Medical Center. A Pasquotank-Camden Emergency Services official said the driver only suffered minor injuries.

The patrol didn't have a damage estimate for the patrol car, but said there was at least \$10,000 worth of damage to the pickup truck and at least \$8,500 in damages to the Cadillac.

Emergency officials said the accident was reported shortly after 1:35 p.m. Pasquotank Sheriff Randy Cartwright, sheriff's deputies and firefighters responded.



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A man driving a Dodge Ram pickup truck ran into the back of a stopped Highway Patrol car on U.S. 17 last week just north of the Perquimans County line.

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Meeting to be held on flounder rules

From Staff Reports

MOREHEAD CITY — The state's marine fisheries division will hold two meetings this month to explain new flounder reporting requirements for pound net fishermen.

The first meeting is Aug. 23 at 6 p.m. in the Dare County Center multipurpose room on Marshall C. Collins Drive in Manteo. A second meeting is Aug. 24 at 6 p.m. at the

North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries' Central District Office, 5285 Highway 70 West, Morehead City.

Beginning Sept. 1, the Division of Marine Fisheries will require fishermen who hold pound net permits and are participating in the pound net flounder fishery to report their flounder landings to the division daily.

The division needs daily reporting of flounder landings to manage the quota adopted by the Marine Fisheries Commission through Supplement A to Amendment 1 of the Southern Flounder Fishery Management Plan. The supplement, approved in November 2015, requires a commercial pound net quota that reduces pound net flounder landings by 38 percent from the average 2011 to 2015 landings.

Shares of the pound net flounder quota will be allocated to six designated groups. Once the quota al-

lotted to a group is met, the commercial flounder season will close for that group. Pound net fishermen will still be allowed to fish for and land other species from the nets.

The commercial flounder gig season will close when the quota is met for all six management groups.

At the meetings, state marine fisheries staff will explain the details of how this system will work. Staff will also provide the quotas for different monitoring groups and answer questions from fishermen.

The daily reporting requirement does not affect the requirement for monthly reporting by seafood dealers. The daily landings reports will be used to manage the flounder pound net quota. They will be periodically cross-checked with trip tickets, as with other quota-managed species.

For more information, contact Kathy Rawls with the Division of Marine Fisheries at 252-808-8074 or email Kathy.Rawls@ncdenr.gov.

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