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## Ohio State Highway Patrol Investigating Crash on US 30

**Washington Township** – The Ohio State Highway Patrol’s Van Wert Post is investigating a five vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 3:00 P.M. on Friday afternoon, May 8, 2020, on U.S. 30 which began near milepost 22, and ended near milepost 26 in Van Wert County.

At approximately 2:57 P.M., the Van Wert Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol took a call of a reckless driver eastbound on U.S. 30 near the Middle Point – Wetzel Road exit. The vehicle was reported as unable to maintain lanes and at times, driving the wrong direction and in the grass median. Troopers were dispatched and approximately 3 minutes later, State Troopers observed the vehicle. While attempting to stop the vehicle, the suspect vehicle struck a guardrail just east of State Route 66.

The driver of the suspect vehicle, a 2012 GMC truck, driven by Michael J. Grundy, age 63, of Crawfordsville, Indiana, was uninjured. From the initial report of reckless driving to the location where Troopers made contact with the suspect, a total of five vehicles sustained damage as a result of being struck by Mr. Grundy. No injuries were reported by the other motorists involved.

The Van Wert Post was assisted on scene by Delphos Fire Department and EMS personnel, Big Daddy’s Towing and Knippen Towing.

Alcohol is believed to be a factor. The crash remains under investigation.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol encourages drivers and occupants to always wear their seat belts and never drive distracted or impaired.

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