

LEMOORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Press Release

On Monday May 17, 2021 at about 9:03 AM, Lemoore Police Officers were in the area of N. Lemoore Ave. and Glendale Ave. assisting with a traffic collision that had just occurred. Officers noticed a vehicle approaching the area of the collision driving at a high rate of speed endangering the safety of all parties on scene. An officer attempted to get the vehicle to slow down and the vehicle accelerated and sped past the area of the collision.

Another officer attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the reckless vehicle and the vehicle failed to yield. A vehicle pursuit ensued westbound on county roads reaching speeds of 110 MPH. Assistance was requested from the Kings County Sheriff's Office. The Lemoore Naval Air Station Police was also notified of the pursuit and its direction of travel. The pursuit reached the area of Reeves Blvd. north of SR-198. The driver drove off of the road way into a dirt field colliding with a dirt embankment and disabling the vehicle. The driver was identified as Tara Hofacker (39). She was taken into custody with out further incident.

Hofacker was arrested and booked into the Kings County Jail for the violations of VC 2800.2(a) (Felony Evading), VC 2800.4 (Felony Evading; Wrong Way driving), VC 23103(a) (Reckless Driving), VC 12500(a) (Unlicensed Driver), PC 148(a)(1) (Delaying/Resisting/Obstructing a Police Officer), and an unrelated misdemeanor warrant out of Kings County. Bail was set at \$95,000. No injuries were reported as a result of this incident.

