

Motorist, bicyclist collide on Highway 101

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A motorist and bicyclist collided on U.S. Highway 101 today, resulting in minor and moderate injuries.

According to a California Highway Patrol press release, at 11:02 a.m., Jami Pfau was driving her 2019 Ford Fusion southbound on U.S. Highway 101 approaching the Dr. Fine Bridge in Smith River. Tanner Smith was riding his bicycle southbound on the south shoulder north of Dr. Fine Bridge.

As Pfau approached Smith, for unknown reasons Pfau drove onto the shoulder of the highway, colliding with Smith. Pfau drove up the embankment and overturned onto the roadway, sustaining minor injuries. The bicyclist, Smith, sustained moderate injuries as a result of the collision.

California Highway Patrol and other emergency personnel arrived on scene and began providing medical assistance to both parties. The two were transported to Sutter Coast Hospital for further treatment.

Crescent City Fire Protection District, Del Norte Ambulance, California State parks, Fort Dick Fire and Caltrans provided assistance on the scene.

Alcohol and/or drugs do not appear to be a factor at this time, according to the CHP.

The incident remains under investigation by the Crescent City CHP office.