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Wrong Way Vehicle

On Sunday 9/27/09 at 1:37a.m., the Washington State Patrol (WSP) responded to a call of a wrong way vehicle traveling northbound in the southbound lanes of I-205 near I-5.

The wrong way vehicle was being paralleled by an ambulance, whose driver was giving updated locations to the WSP communication center. The wrong way vehicle merged onto I-5, traveling northbound in the southbound lanes.

Trooper's observed the wrong way vehicle almost collide with oncoming traffic and made a decision to cross the median and initiate a pursuit intervention technique (PIT). The trooper used this technique to spin the vehicle around and into the median.

The driver attempted to drive away in her 1997 Ford from the resting place in the median. Troopers found the car door locked and the driver would not stop her efforts to depart. The trooper broke the driver's side window, reached in and turned the car off and took the driver into custody without further incident.

The driver Lisa M. Zeller a 49 year old, Vancouver resident was taken into custody for driving under the influence of drugs.

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