

Stafford County Sheriff's Office

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Rock and a Hard Place

Stafford, VA A Mechanicsville woman trying to outrun the police found herself stuck between a rock and a hard place (or a police car and a Jersey wall) when the chase ended on I-95 in Stafford County yesterday afternoon.

On November 6th at 1:11 p.m. Deputy M.A. Holub was traveling northbound on I-95 near Warrenton Road in his marked patrol car when a Nissan Rogue drove past him on the shoulder at a high rate of speed. Deputy Holub activated his emergency equipment, but the Rogue refused to stop, accelerating to over 118 mph and weaving through traffic.

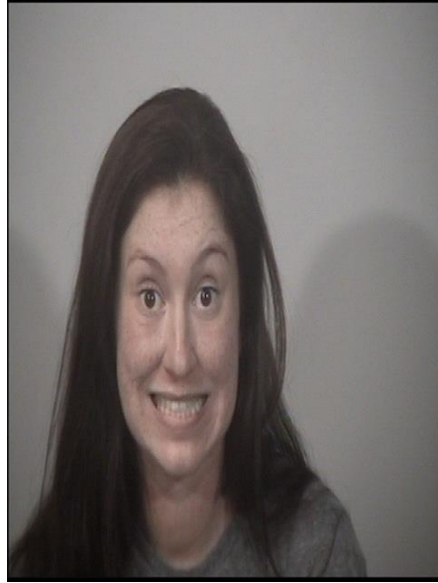
Deputies attempted to deploy a spike strip near the Courthouse Road exit, but were unsuccessful. As the pursuit reached the 142 mile-marker, the suspect was forced to slow for traffic and deputies seized the opportunity to utilize a rolling road block. Deputy Holub pulled even with the suspect and gently pushed the suspect vehicle against the concrete Jersey wall as Deputy A.J. Layug blocked off the front and Deputy S.M. Craig covered the rear.

The driver was taken into custody without incident and identified as Shannon Beck, 30. Deputy C.M. Ramirez responded to assist and conducted field sobriety tests.

Beck was charged with felony eluding, reckless driving by speed, reckless driving on the shoulder, no insurance and driving under the influence of drugs. She was held without bond at the Rappahannock Regional Jail.

Excellent work by the deputies to safely end this pursuit and remove this dangerous driver from the highway.

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