



## POARCH POLICE OFFICER INJURED DURING MOTORIST ASSIST

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**Poarch Creek Indian Reservation, Alabama** – May 6, 2013 - Friday, May 3, 2013, at approximately 8:30 p.m., Poarch Police Officer Lee Fountain was doing a motorist assist on Highway 21 just North of Jeff Davis Community College in Atmore. The vehicle, occupied by several females, had stalled near the roadway. It was raining and, Officer Fountain was assisting them with their stalled vehicle.

A truck coming south on Highway 21 hit Officer Fountain's patrol car and then struck the other motorist's vehicle where Officer Fountain was standing.

Officer Fountain was knocked about 40 feet to the side of the road. The other motorist suffered no injuries.

He was transported to Atmore Community Hospital, and then transferred to USA Medical Center.

The accident was investigated by the Alabama Department of Public Safety. The driver of the truck was reported to be intoxicated and was subsequently charged with DUI and Felony Assault. No other information on the driver is available as the case is currently under investigation by the Department of Public Safety.

Officer Fountain was released from USA Medical Center over the weekend and is currently out on medical leave status.

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