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Date: March 4, 2012  
Case No. 12-3510

On March 4, 2012 at 4:49 p.m., emergency first responders from the Portage Department of Public Safety responded to a single car accident in the 9100 block of Sprinkle Road. Police officers on scene determined that a 35-year-old Vicksburg resident was traveling north on Sprinkle Road when he lost control of his 2005 Audi on the icy roads. The vehicle left the roadway and struck a telephone pole that fell into the roadway. The driver and only occupant of the vehicle was not injured during the accident.

Due to the power lines and telephone pole falling in the roadway, Sprinkle Road traffic was diverted onto Long Lake Drive and 24<sup>th</sup> Street. The utility pole held a street light and was not connected to any power lines that carried electricity to any commercial or residential properties in the area.

Anyone who witnessed the accident is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, [www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com](http://www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com).

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