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Case No. 16-6183

On April 22, 2016 at approximately 5:23 p.m., Portage Police and Fire units were dispatched to an injury accident on U.S. 131, south of W. Milham Avenue. Once on scene, it was learned that a black Subaru passenger car was traveling southbound on US 131, slowing down for construction, when it was struck from the rear by a silver Honda Civic. The crash forced both vehicles off the roadway, with the Subaru coming to rest in the median and the Honda continuing across both lanes of northbound US 131 and stopping on the shoulder of the roadway.

The driver of the Subaru was uninjured; however, the driver of the Honda sustained serious, but non-life-threatening injuries and was transported to Bronson Hospital for further medical attention. The crash is still under investigation; however, speed may have been a factor in the crash.

Construction will be occurring on both northbound and southbound US 131 through Portage from now until September. Drivers are encouraged to exercise caution and be aware of rapidly changing traffic conditions during the construction.

Anyone with information regarding this accident is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com.

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