Pursuit Ends With Highland Man Jailed

KS Dept. of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism K-9 Officer Hunter/Credit: Brown Co Sheriff's Office

(KNZA)--A Highland man goes to jail in Brown County following what Sheriff John Merchant describes as a "short chase" early Thursday morning.

Merchant says it began around 3:00 when a Sac and Fox Tribal Police Officer spotted a vehicle in a ditch, near the Pemberton Village Apartments in Hiawatha.

When the driver drove away, the officer gave chase, with the pursuit lasting nearly 6 miles.

It ended when the suspect vehicle went off the roadway in the area of 260th and Plum Tree Road.

It was there the driver, identified as 34-year-old Zachariah Brown, fled on foot.

A search for his whereabouts was launched, with the Brown County Sheriff's Office, the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, and Kickapoo Tribal Police all assisting at the scene.

Merchant says Wildlife and Parks Officer Scott Stoughton, assisted by his K-9, Hunter, located Brown about 6 minutes later, 100 yards from where the vehicle has stopped in a field filled with tall corn.

Brown was arrested without further incident on charges of felony flee to elude, a Brown County warrant for felony flee to elude, and a Nemaha County warrant.

Brown was booked into the Brown County Jail following his arrest.

Merchant says additional charges are pending.

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