



# *Chowchilla Police Department*

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Motor vehicle accident on Rd 16 at Ave 24**

On November 4, 2015 at approximately 9:18pm Officers from the Chowchilla Police Department responded to the area of Rd 16 and Ave 24 for a non-injury traffic collision involving a power pole. Upon arrival officer's located two vehicles involved and a power pole that had been struck, shearing it off at the ground leaving only the power lines holding it up. There were several people standing in the immediate area of the pole, under the lines that had to be evacuated from the area. PG&E responded to the scene and once the power pole was made stable the accident was investigated.

The Chowchilla Police Department would like to remind the public, if there are power lines down, or about to fall down, or any wires from a pole please stay clear of the lines keeping a safe distance and report downed lines by calling 911. If you are involved in a motor vehicle accident and inside your car with power lines on the ground or on your vehicle please remain inside your vehicle. For more safety tips about power lines and what to do in case you do have to exit your vehicle, go to:

<http://www.pge.com/en/safety/gaselectricsafety/powerlines/index.page>

This incident is currently under investigation by the Chowchilla Police Department. If anyone witnessed this incident please contact the Chowchilla Police Department at (559) 665-8600.

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