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### Silver Alert Ends Happily Due To A WSDOT Supervisor

**King County:** At approximately 11:40pm last night, August 27, 2018 a Silver Alert was entered into the system for a missing elderly female from the Blaine, Washington area.

According to the Silver Alert information she left for a one block trip to the store at 1:30pm and never returned. She was driving a Chrysler Town and Country van with Oregon plates and had a distinctive look as it was a mobility friendly model.

Fast forward to this morning just after 5am WB SR 410 and MP 40 near Greenwater. A Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) supervisor was on his way to work and heard the Silver Alert rebroadcast by WSDOT communications. Just a few minutes later he came upon a van traveling at an extremely slow rate with Oregon plates. He passed the vehicle then called WSDOT communications and was able to confirm that the van was indeed the same on related to the Silver Alert. He pulled off the road and waited for the van to pass by and began to follow it continuing westbound. Trooper Mike Cheek was dispatched to intercept the vehicle and get it stopped which he was able to at MP 36.

Trooper Cheek advised that she was very tired and her vehicle was nearly out of gas. The driver requested to go to a motel and also requested that someone else driver her car. The WSDOT supervisor was kind enough to go to the Enumclaw office to get some gas and another driver to get the van safely into town.

Trooper Cheek then transported the driver to the Guesthouse Inn so she could get some rest while waiting for her family to drive from Blaine. Trooper Cheek remained at the hotel until the arrival of her family.

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