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Altercation Occurs After Vehicles Illegally Block Interstate 90

King County: At approximately 10:25 AM this morning September 16, 2020, Washington State Patrol (WSP) communications received a 9-1-1 call reporting that a group of vehicles had blocked WB I-90 just east of Rainier Ave.

Numerous troopers were dispatched to the area to make contact with these vehicles and arrest the drivers for disorderly conduct. During the illegal closure there was a confrontation between one of the individuals associated with blocking the freeway and an individual that was stuck in the back up. The individual was yelling at the people involved in this to get off the freeway and was jumped and knocked to the ground.

The blocking vehicles starting moving again around 10:40 AM prior to troopers arriving at the scene. Multiple license plates of vehicles that were blocking were obtained by witnesses which are now a part of this investigation.

WSP detectives are asking for anyone that witnessed this confrontation and/or have video to contact Detective Sergeant Moate at (425) 401-7745 or by email at Stacy.Moate@wsp.wa.gov.

The Washington State Patrol would also like to stress that illegally blocking the road has consequences that affect the ability of ambulances trying to get to the hospital and all the other first responders trying to get to emergency calls. Ultimately this could mean life or death.

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