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Pursuit

South Charleston, WV- A multi-jurisdictional pursuit early this morning ended in South Charleston with the arrest of a Cabell County man.

The pursuit was started by the Huntington Police Department and terminated as the driver left the city limits; however, Cabell County deputies continued their attempts to stop the reckless driver and were assisted by multiple agencies spanning from Huntington to South Charleston.

Once the pursuit entered Kanawha County, the driver reached speeds nearing 100 mph, so deputies used spike strips to disable the vehicle. The driver continued with deflated tires until eventually crashing around Industrial Drive in South Charleston where he tried to flee on foot. Deputies quickly apprehended the driver a short distance away.

The driver was identified as 35-year-old, Dakota Lee Neff from the Huntington area and was wanted on multiple felony and misdemeanor warrants in Cabell County, West Virginia along with multiple warrants out of Ohio.

Neff now faces additional charges in Kanawha County for felony fleeing with reckless indifference and fleeing on foot.

Neff is expected to be arraigned this morning before a Kanawha County Magistrate and as always Neff is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



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