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Deputies Arrest Man After He Flees Traffic Stop in Beaverton

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On Sunday, May 5, 2024, at 2:41 a.m., a Washington County Sheriff's Office deputy attempted to pull over a 2011 BMW X5 near Highway 217 and SW Walker Road. The driver of the vehicle initially pulled over but immediately sped away and the deputy did not pursue. The suspect was seen by deputies getting onto Sunset Highway before getting back onto Highway 217 southbound.

Deputies followed the vehicle and performed a pursuit intervention technique (PIT) on the BMW near SW 2nd Avenue and SW Franklin Avenue in Beaverton. After the PIT, the driver jumped out of the BMW and ran. Deputies ran after the driver, 25-year-old Nicolas Pena-Galvan and took him into custody about a block away. During the investigation, deputies found that Pena-Galvan dropped a pistol while running away and later learned the gun was listed as stolen.

Pena-Galvan was transported to the Washington County Jail, where he faces the following charges:

- Fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer (felony, 2 counts)
- Fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer (misdemeanor)
- Felon in possession of a weapon
- Carrying a concealed weapon
- Theft in the first degree
- Criminal mischief in the second degree
- Driving under the influence of intoxicants
- Reckless driving

The investigation is ongoing, and it is possible that Pena-Galvan will faces additional charges.

