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PRESS RELEASE

On March 14 at approximately 5:42 p.m., members of the Crow Wing County Sheriff's Office Tactical Response Team and Crow Wing County Sheriff's Office Crisis Negotiation Team responded to assist with a male who had barricaded himself with a rifle inside of a vehicle on the 5400 block of CR 145 in Pequot Lakes. The male was a 28-year-old resident of rural Pequot Lakes.

An officer from the Pequot Lakes Police Department was attempting to conduct a criminal investigation on behalf of the Baxter Police Department involving the male as a suspect when he barricaded himself inside of his vehicle.

The Pequot Lakes Officer attempted to negotiate with the male before seeing a rifle in the vehicle. The Pequot Officer immediately backed away and a perimeter was setup. During the standoff, officers evacuated a neighboring home.

Crisis negotiators established phone contact with the male who remained inside of his vehicle during the standoff. The male eventually agreed to exit his vehicle and surrender. Members of the tactical response team took the male into custody without further incident at approximately 7:54 p.m.

The male was transported to Essentia Health in Brainerd for an evaluation.

Assisting at the scene during the standoff was the Pequot Lakes, Breezy Point, Nisswa, and Crosslake Police Departments, the MN DNR, Pequot Lakes F.D., and North Memorial Ambulance.

Baxter Police Department will have pending charges against the male.