

Motorist seriously injures cyclist on Hwy. 28

A 23-year-old Colorado man remains in serious condition this afternoon at Renown Medical Center in Reno after being thrown from his bicycle Nov. 15.

California Highway Patrol officers said James Hulett of Boulder was on his bike on Highway 28 going up Dollar Hill just after 5pm Friday when he was struck from behind by a vehicle driven by Vicente Araujo.

The 53-year-old Kings Beach man initially fled the scene. Two and half hours later he turned himself in at the Placer County Sheriff's Office in Tahoe City. He faces felon hit and run charges.

Alcohol and drugs do not appear to be contributing factors in the accident. But California Highway Patrol officers also don't know what led Araujo to drift to his right.

No helmet was found at the scene of the accident. Hulett sustained major head trauma, according to officers.

Anyone with information about the accident should call the CHP at (530) 582.7570.

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