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Traffic Stop of Idaho Murder Suspect in Hancock County, Indiana

On December 15th, 2022, at approximately 10:41am, a member of the Hancock County Sheriff's Office in Indiana conducted a traffic stop with a white Hyundai Elantra on I-70. The Hyundai was pulled over just east of the rest park near the 107 mile marker for the violation of following too closely. The vehicle was occupied by two males with the driver being identified as Bryan Kohlberger. Both males can be seen on body-worn camera footage. The driver was released with a verbal warning for following another vehicle too close.

At the time of the traffic stop, there was no information available on a suspect for the crimes in Idaho, to include identifying information or any specific information related to the license plate state or number of the white Hyundai Elantra which was being reported in the media to have been seen in an around where the crime occurred.

The Hyundai was pulled over a short time later by a member of the Indiana State Police, who also released the driver with a verbal warning.

Hancock County Sheriff's Office body-worn camera footage captured the traffic stop and the vehicle occupants. Since the video is part of the active criminal investigation in Idaho, it is not being released at this time. All questions or interview requests should be directed to the investigating authorities in Idaho. Since the investigation is ongoing in Idaho, the Hancock County Sheriff's Office will not be releasing any additional information or granting any interviews.