Single car crash causes extended closure of Kaumuali‘i Highway

PĀKĀLA – As of around 8:30 a.m., Kaua‘i police opened both lanes of Kaumuali‘i Highway following a single car crash that occurred around 2:45 a.m. in the vicinity of Pākalā Village near mile marker 21. Expect delays due to residual traffic.

According to a preliminary investigation, a Range Rover was heading east on Kaumuali‘i Highway with four adult male occupants when it apparently crossed the centerline and overcorrected back onto the eastbound lane and struck the guardrail. The vehicle flipped over the guardrail and tumbled before coming to rest on its passenger side against a powerline pole.

The driver of the Range Rover suffered non-life-threatening injuries and is currently being treated at Wilcox Hospital.

The passenger of the Range Rover was medevacked to O‘ahu with critical injuries to his back and head.

Two rear seat passengers had non-life-threatening injuries.

Motorists are still urged to avoid the area if possible as severe traffic delays are ongoing.

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