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BC Prosecution Service approves charges of assault and mischief against Kamloops RCMP officer

Victoria – The BC Prosecution Service (BCPS) announced today that charges under the *Criminal Code* have been approved against a Kamloops RCMP officer, Cst. David Tucker, in connection with an incident that occurred in Kamloops on July 31, 2023.

An Information charging Cst. Tucker with one count of assault, contrary to section 266 and one count of mischief, contrary to section 430(4) of the *Criminal Code*, was sworn on July 24, 2024, under Kamloops Provincial Court file number 114933-1. The first appearance on this matter is scheduled for August 26, 2024, in Kamloops Provincial Court.

The charge was approved by an experienced Crown Counsel with no prior or current connection with the officer. The charge assessment guidelines applied by the BCPS in reviewing all Reports to Crown Counsel are established in the BCPS Crown Counsel Policy Manual and are available online at:

www.gov.bc.ca/charge-assessment-guidelines

BCPS guidelines for assessing allegations against Peace Officers are also established in policy and are available at:

www.gov.bc.ca/allegations-against-peace-officers

As this matter is now before the court the BCPS will not be releasing additional information or commenting further at this time.

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