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On Friday, August 14, 2009 at 2:02 am, officers of the Redding Police Department responded to a traffic collision in the area of Shasta View Drive and Goodwater Avenue. While enroute to the collision, a resident called 911 on a cell phone and said the driver in the collision had fled on foot northbound on Shasta View Drive. The resident was following the driver and stayed on the phone with the 911 operator.

Officers arrived at the scene at 2:05 am and located Matthew Jordan Burns, 28 years old of Palo Cedro, running northbound on Shasta View Drive at Tarmac Avenue. Burns attempted to hide from officers in the landscape bushes of Shasta View Drive. Burns was located and admitted to driving the vehicle involved in the traffic collision.

Officers determined Burns was driving his 2007 Toyota pickup southbound on Shasta View Drive, just south of Goodwater Avenue. Burns crossed over the northbound lanes and struck a parked vehicle on the east curbline. The parked vehicle, a 1999 Toyota Corolla, was parked in front of 2551 Shasta View Drive. The Toyota pickup and Toyota Corolla then struck two additional vehicles, a 1984 Buick Skylark and 1993 Chevy pickup, parked in the driveway of 2551 Shasta View Drive. All the vehicles involved appear to be a total loss.

Burns was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and hit and run. He was treated at Shasta Regional Medical Center for minor injuries and booked at the Shasta County Jail.

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