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MEDIA RELEASE
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The Kootenai County Sheriff's Office is investigating an injury accident involving an All Terrain Vehicle that occurred this morning at 14900 Twete Road, near Athol, Idaho.

About 11:10 a.m. today, deputies and emergency medical personnel responded to the above address to a report that two young boys, age 10 and 11 had wrecked an ATV on private property and were seriously injured.

When the deputy arrived, he found that Malachi Mort, age 10, of Rathdrum was driving the ATV on the driveway at 14900 Twete Road with his friend, Cohen, age 11 riding with him. Malachi lost control of the machine on the edge of the driveway and struck a power pole. Malachi ended up with a compound fracture of the leg and was transported by ground ambulance to Kootenai Medical Center. Cohen was transported to Sacred Heart Medical Center by Medstar Air Ambulance with head injuries. Neither boy was wearing a helmet.

Cohen's last name is not known at this time. The Sheriff's Department continues to investigate the incident.

Rocky Watson, Sheriff

By: Capt. Ben Wolfinger