## **KOOTENAI COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

## Kootenai County Sheriff's Department Press Release February 12<sup>th</sup> 2010

On February 12<sup>th</sup> 2010 at approx. 1245 hours the Kootenai County Sheriff's Department and the Post Falls Police Department were dispatched to the area of Seltice Way and Chase Rd. in reference to a possible stabbing.

When Officers arrived they contacted a 49 year old male from Otis Orchards who reported that he was hit in the face and then stabbed in the leg after he picked up a hitch hiker in the area of Seltice Way and Stateline. The stabbing occurred in the area of Seltice Way and Beck Rd. After the victim was stabbed the suspect who was described as a white male in his 20s with blue jeans and a blue colored hooded jacket ran from the vehicle southbound from Seltice Way.

Deputies searched the area for the suspect but were unable to locate him at this time. The victim was transported to Kootenai Medical Center by Kootenai Fire and Rescue where he is being treated for non life threatening injuries.

At this time the name of the victim is not being released pending notification to his family. The incident is still under investigation by Kootenai County Detectives. Anyone who was in the area of Seltice Way and Stateline at the time of the incident and may have seen someone matching the description of the suspect or witnessed the incident is asked to contact the Kootenai County Sheriff's Department at 446-1300.

Rocky Watson, Sheriff

By Sgt. Ryan Higgins Case #10-03209