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Sheriff Brian Burnett reports on 9-13-15 at approximately 0400 hours, someone stole a large bucket loader belonging to Pipkin Construction in Entiat. They drove the bucket loader to the area of BJ's Entiat and used it to demolish the Cashmere Valley Bank building that contains an ATM. The ATM was destroyed in the process, but they removed the vault portion that contains money. From tire tracks in the dirt lot, it appears the suspect(s) used the bucket loader to drive next to a large set of dual tire track. It is probable they used the bucket loader to load the vault into a truck. It is possible the tire tracks were to a large vehicle like a dump truck. The bucket loader was left running at the scene and the truck was gone. A passerby reported this incident at approximately 0425 hours. Cashmere Valley Bank estimates damage to be at least \$50,000.00 which does not include the undisclosed amount of money in the vault.

At approximately 1000 hours, a worker showing up to work at Bob's Apple Barrel on 97A discovered their office had been broken into. Through their surveillance system, two subjects were seen arriving on the property on motorcycles at approximately 0300 hours. They forced entry into the office and attempted to steal a safe, but were unsuccessful. They could be seen leaving shortly after ransacking the office. The owner arrived and noticed one of his full size dump trucks was missing. At approximately 1715 hours, the Bob's Apple Barrel dump truck was located by someone approximately 9 miles up Potato Creek Road off of the Entiat River Road abandoned. It is likely these two incidents are directly related.

If you have any information regarding these two burglaries, please call the Chelan County Sheriff's Office Tip Line at (509)667-6845

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