Leona man sentenced in pursuit

(KNZA)--A Leona man has been sentenced to three years in prison in connection with a pursuit last May that left a Highland Police officer injured.

40-year-old Travis Winters was sentenced last week in Doniphan County District Court on a charge of aggravated assault of a law enforcement officer and two counts of fleeing or attempting to elude.

He was given credit for 353 days already served in jail.

Winters pleaded no contest to the amended charges last month as part of a plea agreement.

The charges stemmed from a pursuit the evening of May 7, 2018 that began in Highland, and ended south of Leona after Highland police officer Tom Williams crashed his patrol car.

Authorities say the dust created by the chase, which reached speeds of more than 100 miles an hour, attributed to Williams crash.

Williams received injuries, which required surgery.

Winters was arrested days later by the Kansas Highway Patrol.

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