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## For Immediate Release:

On Saturday December 21, 2013 at 8:18 p.m., Gibson County Central Dispatch received a call about a vehicle that was off the roadway and partially submerged on State Road 168 near County road 225 West. The caller also advised that there was a man standing on top of the vehicle. Deputy U.B. Smith was dispatched to the scene and upon arriving he observed a Silver 1990 Chevy Blazer almost entirely submerged on the Southside of the roadway. The Fort Branch Fire Department rescued the stranded person, and brought him to dry land. Clinton P. Taylor age 22 of Fort Branch was identified as the stranded motorist, and he admitted to being the driver of the submerged Chevy Blazer. During a roadside investigation Deputy Smith smelled the strong smell of an alcoholic beverage coming from Mr. Taylor, and began to administer standard field sobriety tests to Mr. Taylor. At the end of the roadside investigation Clinton P. Taylor was transported to the Gibson County Jail where he was charged with Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated while having a prior conviction within the last five years. Mr. Taylor has since posted a \$750 bond.

Assisting Deputy Smith in his investigation was: Fort Branch Deputy Town Marshal Jeff Beck The Fort Branch Fire Department Gibson County Emergency Service Medics