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Patrol seizes 95 pounds of marijuana, valued at more than \$215,000 in Ross County traffic stop

CHILLICOTHE – Two men from West Virginia are facing felony drug charges after Ohio State Highway Patrol troopers seized 95 pounds of marijuana, valued at more than \$215,000 during a traffic stop this past Friday in Ross County.

Troopers stopped a 1997 Chevrolet 1500, with West Virginia registration, for a following too closely violation on U.S. 23, near milepost 11, at approximately 5:04 p.m. on December 10. Troopers observed criminal indicators and a Patrol drug-sniffing canine alerted to the vehicle. A probable cause search revealed 95 pounds of marijuana in the bed of the vehicle.

The driver, Jonathan Spangler, 31, and passenger, Rodney Goodson, 45, both of Huntington W. Va., were charged with possession of marijuana and trafficking in marijuana, both second-degree felonies.

The suspects were incarcerated in Ross County Jail. If convicted, each could face up to 16 years in prison and a \$30,000 fine.

A photo of the seized marijuana is available for download on the Patrol's web site at www.statepatrol.ohio.gov.

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