



Fatal Traffic Collision

August 4, 2023 – At approximately 4:23 a.m., the Menifee Police Department (PD) and CAL FIRE personnel responded to a vehicle versus pedestrian traffic collision at the intersection of Menifee Road and Wickerd Road.

Upon arrival, officers discovered that a Dodge Ram truck had struck an adult male pedestrian who was in the roadway for unknown reasons. Unfortunately, the pedestrian's injuries were too severe, and he was pronounced deceased at the scene. The driver of the Dodge Ram, who was unharmed, remained at the scene and cooperated fully with the investigation.

The Menifee PD Traffic Unit responded and assumed the investigation. A witness to the incident remained at the scene and provided statements to officers. The preliminary investigation revealed that the Dodge Ram was traveling southbound on Menifee Road approaching Wickerd Road when it struck the pedestrian who was wearing non-reflective clothing and walking in the middle of the roadway.

Preliminary investigation suggests that neither alcohol nor drugs were a factor for the driver. The roadway remained closed for several hours while officers investigated the collision, however, the collision is still under investigation.

The Riverside County Coroner's Office will release the identity of the deceased once the next of kin has been notified. We urge anyone with additional information regarding the collision to contact the Menifee PD Traffic Unit at (951) 723-1690 or (951) 723-1565.

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