



For Immediate Release
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Case #MN25-5300

FATAL INJURY TRAFFIC CRASH

Menifee, CA — On Sunday December 7, 2025, at approximately 12:26 a.m. officers from the Menifee Police Department responded to the area of Lindenberger Rd and Scott Rd in reference to a witness calling and reporting a vehicle crashing into a streetlight pole and catching on fire.

Officers arrived on scene and observed a Mercedes Benz vehicle fully engulfed in flames. When officers spoke to the witness on scene, they stated the vehicle was driving eastbound on Scott Rd approaching Lindenberger Rd. The vehicle drifted to the south side of the roadway as it approached the intersection, then collided with a streetlight pole. The vehicle immediately caught fire. The witness did not see a driver exit the vehicle.

Cal Fire responded and began to extinguish the fire. It was discovered the vehicle was an all-electric vehicle, and due to the batteries of the vehicle, it took several minutes to extinguish the fire. Once the fire was fully extinguished, officers observed the deceased, a solo occupant in the driver's seat.

The Menifee Police Department Traffic Unit responded and assumed the investigation. At the time of this release, investigators have not yet identified the deceased and the County Coroner's office responded to assist with the investigation. The contributing factors to the collision are currently unknown.

This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with information related to the crash is urged to contact the Traffic Unit main line at (951) 723-1500.

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