



## **Banning Police Department**

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### *Press Release*

**Date:** July 17, 2013

Case #13-2578

**Location:** South San Gorgonio Avenue / Wesley Street, Banning, CA

**Incident:** Fatal Traffic Collision

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On 07/17/13, at approximately 9:26 a.m., officers were dispatched to an unknown-injury traffic collision in the area of South San Gorgonio Avenue and Wesley Street. When officers arrived, they located two vehicles that were involved in the collision and the occupants of one of the vehicles had suffered major injuries.

The collision occurred as a 1997 Honda Accord was exiting from the KOA campground, located at 1455 South San Gorgonio Avenue, onto Wesley Street. The Honda was struck by a 2001 Ford Expedition traveling north on San Gorgonio Avenue.

The occupants of the Ford Expedition were not injured. Officers located two occupants in the front seat of the Honda. The driver was treated at the scene by paramedics and then transported to Desert Regional Hospital. The passenger was initially unresponsive and was treated on scene by paramedics. The passenger later succumbed to injuries while en route to Desert Regional Medical Center and passed away. The driver was treated in the emergency room and then later released. The identities of the involved parties are being withheld pending the notifications of the next of kin.

The Riverside County Coroner's Office will be conducting an investigation to determine the cause of death. The Banning Police Department is also conducting a traffic collision investigation to determine the factors that led to the crash.

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