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POLICE MEDIA ADVISORY

Date: November 9, 2022
To: San Diego Media
From: Chula Vista Police Department
Contact: Sergeant Anthony Molina, Public Information Officer
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Subject: **Fatal Traffic Collision – 700 Block of Telegraph Canyon Road**

Message: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On November 9th, 2022, just before 10 A.M., the Chula Vista Police Department received a call of a welfare check regarding a vehicle submerged underwater in a creek near the intersection of Telegraph Canyon Road and Paseo Ladera. While working in the area, a city-contracted landscaping employee noticed a broken fence along the north side of Telegraph Canyon Road and subsequently saw an upside-down vehicle, partially submerged underwater in a drainage ditch.

Officers and Fire Department personnel responded and located a 2005 Ford Explorer in the 700 block of Telegraph Canyon Road, about 300 feet west of Paseo Ladera. It was in a drainage ditch, just north of the roadway. The vehicle was upside down and submerged in water, to the point that officers were unable to safely open the doors or check inside the vehicle. Due to the water flow in the ditch, the San Diego Lifeguard River Rescue Team was called to assist. When the vehicle was pulled out of the water at approximately 12 P.M., an adult female was found deceased in the vehicle.

At this time, drugs and alcohol do not appear to be a factor and there is no indication that any other vehicles were involved. Officers have not located anyone who witnessed the collision and are continuing to investigate the cause. The Medical Examiner's Office responded to the scene, but the victim remains unidentified.

Anyone that witnessed the collision or has additional information is asked to contact the **Chula Vista Police Department Traffic Bureau at (619) 476-5320**. They can also contact San Diego County Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477 or submit a tip via P3tips (online or mobile application) <http://p3tips.com/409> if they wish to remain anonymous.

**After hour inquiries should be directed to the Watch Commander at (619) 476-5374, however, no other information is available for release at the time of this media advisory distribution.*

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