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## Fatality Involving Train

**Location of Incident:** Railroad Tracks in the area of 7100 block of S. Highway 95 – Yuma, AZ

On Saturday, October 31, 2020 at approximately 8:59 AM, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office received a report of a subject struck by a train in the 7100 block of S. Highway 95.

Initial investigation revealed **Jerry Moore Jr**, 58, of Colorado Springs, CO, was walking along the railroad tracks while a train was travelling northbound. Mr. Moore was unable to move off of the tracks in time and was struck by the train, sustaining fatal injuries.

This case remains under investigation at this time. Next of kin notification has been made.

The Sheriff's Office would like to remind the public of the following warnings from the US Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration:

- Always expect a train!
- Trains do not follow a set schedule, so they can come at any time of day from either direction.
- A train traveling at 55 MPH can take more than a mile to stop.
- Trains overhang railroad tracks by three feet or more on either side. Even when you are not standing directly on the tracks, you risk being hit by a train by being on railroad property.
- Despite their size, trains are relatively quiet and do not always sound warning horns when approaching a crossing.
- Never attempt to walk under, around or between train cars, even when a train is at a complete stop.
- It is illegal to access private railroad property anywhere other than a designated pedestrian or roadway crossing. Trespassers are most often pedestrians who walk across or along railroad tracks as a shortcut to another destination.

Additional train related safety information can be found at the below website.

<https://railroads.dot.gov/highway-rail-crossing-and-trespasser-programs/i-can-improve-rail-safety-i-am/pedestrian-motorist>

Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at [www.yumacountysheriff.org](http://www.yumacountysheriff.org) to submit an anonymous tip.

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