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PRESS RELEASE

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Fatality Collision

Location of Incident: 11400 Block of S. Fortuna Road - Yuma, AZ

On Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at approximately 10:22 AM, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office received a report of a motor vehicle collision in the 11400 Block of S. Fortuna Road involving a vehicle striking a pedestrian.

The initial investigation revealed that a white 2012 Toyota Prius was traveling northbound on Fortuna Road when a pedestrian was walking across the road in a non-designated crosswalk. The driver of the vehicle was unable to stop in time and struck the pedestrian.

The pedestrian, identified as Angelina Esparza, 81, of Yuma, AZ, sustained critical injuries and was transported to Yuma Regional Medical Center. She was later flown to a Phoenix area hospital for additional treatment, where she later succumbed to her injuries. Next of kin notification has been made.

This case remains under investigation at this time. Alcohol does not appear to be a factor in this collision.

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 to submit an anonymous tip.

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