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PRESS RELEASE

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UPDATE

Vicious Canine At Large

Location of Incident: 10600 Block of S. Avenue 33E - Wellton, AZ

UPDATE: The canine has been located. It was found deceased after it ran into traffic on Interstate 8 near mile post 35.

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On Friday, December 15, 2023, at approximately 8:30 AM the Yuma County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a deceased male in the 10600 Block of S. Avenue 33E.

The initial investigation revealed a male victim, 59, was attacked the night prior by a canine and sustained fatal injuries. At this time, it is unknown why the canine attacked the victim.

Continuous efforts to locate the canine have been unsuccessful and is believed to be still at large. The canine is described as a male, gray and white spotted Pitbull of approximately 100 lbs.

If the canine is observed, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office advises the public to not approach it and contact animal control or law enforcement.

This case remains under investigation at this time.

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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