



NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Train vs. Pedestrian

Location: RR Trestle just east of California St. and Harbor Blvd.

Date/Time Occurred: 12/27/16 @ 1230 hrs.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol, Ventura City Fire, California Highway Patrol

Victim: Adult Male, 50 years

Report #: 16-17755

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Command Center was notified by Amtrak dispatch regarding a pedestrian being struck by an Amtrak train on the railroad tracks near the railroad trestle east of California St. and Harbor Blvd. Officers arrived on scene and found the victim lying adjacent to the railroad tracks. Ventura Fire and AMR personnel also responded and immediately pronounced the victim deceased.

According to the train engineer the northbound train was travelling at approximately 50 mph, when he saw the victim sitting on the railroad tracks in the middle of the trestle. It appeared the victim attempted to get out of the way of the train, but could not get clear of the tracks in time. All emergency attempts were made to stop the train, but the train did not stop in time and struck the victim.

Ventura County Medical Examiner responded to the scene. The name of the victim was not immediately determined. Once the victim's identity has been confirmed, the coroner's office will notify the next of kin.

The train, occupied by approximately 350 passengers, was delayed at the scene for two hours while the investigation was being completed. Traffic on the southbound highway 101 was briefly shutdown while the investigation was being conducted. All roadways are now open.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

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