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Incident: Train vs. Pedestrian

Contact: Watch Commander, 805.339.4416

Location: Arundel and Channel

<u>Date/Time Occurred</u>: May 20, 2015 at 8:10 PM <u>Officer(s) Involved:</u> VPD Patrol, Ventura City Fire <u>Victim(s):</u> Male, 37 years old, Ventura Resident

Report #: 15-06775

Narrative:

On May 20,2015 at 8:10 PM, the above date and time the Ventura Police Department received a 911 call from Union Pacific Railroad, reference a pedestrian that was walking along the tracks and had been struck by a passing train. Officers arrived on scene and found the victim lying next to the tracks, and a train stopped a short distance away. Ventura Fire and AMR arrived on scene and administered aid to the victim, who was suffering from serious injuries, and was ultimately transported to Ventura County Medical Center for treatment of his injuries.

Investigation into this incident revealed the victim was walking east bound along the railroad tracks and the train was also traveling east bound on the tracks. The conductor of the train saw the victim and attempted to warn him using the train's horn. The victim did not respond and appeared not to hear the train approaching. The train was unable to stop in time and the victim was subsequently struck by the train and thrown approximately 30 feet, where he came to rest on a small bridge over a drainage culvert.

The Ventura Police Department would like to remind everyone that it is trespassing, which is a misdemeanor offense, to be within 20 feet of either side of the railroad tracks without the permission of the railroad.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing. Anyone with information related to this incident is urged to call the Ventura Police Department at (805) 339-4309.