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MAJOR INJURY TRAFFIC COLLISION

RIVERSIDE, CA – On Saturday, July 7, 2018, at approximately 08:30 AM, Riverside Police and Fire responded to a report of a traffic collision on Central Avenue near the N/B 91 Freeway on-ramp. The preliminary investigation revealed that a dark grey pickup truck exited the N/B 91 freeway at Central Avenue at a high rate of speed. The driver failed to stop at the red light as he exited the freeway and collided with a passenger vehicle which was traveling west on Central Avenue.

The driver of the pickup truck fled the scene on foot and was apprehended by two citizens who witnessed the collision. The police arrived a short time after and took the driver into custody. One of the passengers in the pickup truck was pronounced deceased at the scene. A third passenger was transported to a local hospital and is being treated for non-life threatening injuries.

The occupants of the passenger car were transported to a local hospital and were treated for non-life threatening injuries.



Officers from the Riverside Police Department M.A.I.T. were called to the scene and are investigating this incident. The driver of the grey pickup truck is expected to be booked once he is medically cleared by the hospital.

Anyone with information regarding this collision is urged to call Riverside Police Detective B. Jones at (951) 826-8722.

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