

On Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at approximately 9:34 AM, Torrance Police Officers responded to the intersection of Pacific Coast Highway and Rolling Hills Road regarding a traffic collision involving a vehicle and a motorcycle.

The preliminary investigation reveals the lone driver of a 2017 Ford F150 pickup was travelling east on Pacific Coast Highway approaching Rolling Hills Way before making a left turn into a driveway. The Ford pickup was ultimately struck by a 2017 Kawasaki motorcycle that was travelling the opposite direction on Pacific Coast Highway.

The motorcyclist, a 29-year-old male resident of San Pedro, was treated by Torrance Fire Department personnel, but unfortunately succumbed to his injuries at the scene. The identity of the motorcyclist is being withheld pending notification to a next of kin.

The driver of the Ford pick-up, a 67-year-old male resident of Redondo Beach, was treated by Torrance Fire Department personnel at the scene for minor injuries.

Alcohol or drugs do not appear to be a factor; however, excessive speed appears to be contributing factor in the collision at this time. Based on witness statements, it appears the motorcyclist was racing another vehicle, described as a light silver / gray newer model Dodge Charger. The Dodge Charger fled the scene without stopping.

All lanes of Pacific Coast Highway and Rolling Hills Way will be temporarily closed during this investigation.

The Torrance Police Department offers its condolences to the families involved in this incident. This investigation is being conducted under the command of Torrance Police Captain Mark Underwood of the Special Operations Bureau. Anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to contact the Torrance Police Department at (310) 618-5557 (DR# 190018181).



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