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## **Police Investigate Fatal Collision**

**Casa Grande, AZ** – On February 5, 2016, at 6:58 a.m., the Casa Grande Police Department responded to a vehicle collision involving two vehicles on Maricopa-Casa Grande Highway just west of Val Vista Boulevard.

Upon their arrival, Officers discovered a female driver of a Chevrolet truck with serious injuries and a male driver of a Ford truck with serious injuries. These two drivers were the sole occupants of the vehicles.

The female driver, identified as 38 year old Casa Grande resident Lillian Cortez, was flown to a Phoenix area hospital. She is currently in stable condition. The male driver, identified as 32 year old Eloy resident Yancy Juarez, was transported by ambulance to Casa Grande Banner Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries. Mr. Juarez's next of kin has been notified of his death.

At this time, Investigators have determined Ms. Cortez was traveling eastbound toward Casa Grande and Mr. Juarez was traveling westbound toward Maricopa when the two collided in a head on collision. Investigators have not determined the cause of this collision and it remains under investigation

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