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**NEWS
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14th Traffic Fatality

Date: 03/29/2021

Time: 1:28 PM

Location: 5700 Railroad Dr.

Vehicle: 2000 Honda Passport

Driver: 78 –year old Juan Estrada of the 200 block of Golden Arrow (**Deceased**)

Passenger: 61 –year old Rosa Ramirez of the 200 block of Golden Arrow

Vehicle: 2008 Ford F250

Driver: 69 –year old Mario Escobedo of Chaparral, New Mexico

EL PASO, Texas — Special Traffic Investigators continue their investigation into Monday afternoon’s traffic fatality that caused a six-hour road closure of Railroad Dr. Just before 1:30 PM Monday, officers from the Northeast Regional Command responded to 5700 Railroad on a collision involving two vehicles. STI was called to the scene to assist. Investigators learned 78 –year old Juan Estrada was southbound on Railroad in the right lane as 69 –year old Mario Escobedo was traveling in the left lane at a slow pace. Escobedo, a member of a construction crew in the area, was in the process of shutting down the left lane of traffic. Estrada passed Escobedo and suddenly veered into the left lane, striking the F250, driven by Escobedo. Estrada suffered life-threatening injuries at the scene and had to be extricated from the Honda Passport he was driving. Estrada’s passenger, 61 –year old Rosa Ramirez, sustained non-life-threatening injuries. Both were transported to University Medical Center where Estrada succumbed to his injuries. Escobedo was not injured. This is the 14th traffic fatality of 2021 compared to 21 this time last year.



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