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UPDATE: Vehicle vs Pedestrian Hit and Run Fatality

UPDATE: The victim in Tuesday's hit and run fatality has been positively identified as 35-year old Tara Jane Wood of New Braunfels. Next of kin has been notified. The search for the unknown vehicle that struck the victim continues, and the New Braunfels Police Department is still seeking tips from the public. Anyone with information about the incident is asked to contact New Braunfels Police or Comal County Crime Stoppers. Comal County Crime Stoppers is offering a reward of up to \$2000 for information that leads to an arrest and/or grand jury indictment. To remain anonymous and to collect the reward, contact Crime Stoppers at 830-620-TIPS (8477), leave a tip online at <http://comalcrimestoppers.org/>, or text a tip by texting "Comal" plus your message to CRIMES (274637).

ORIGINAL RELEASE: On today's date, at approximately 10:54am, the New Braunfels Police Department and the New Braunfels Fire Department were called to the 300 block of I-35 south (southbound proper) for reports of a vehicle versus pedestrian traffic accident.

First responders arrived at the scene and found an adult female unconscious and not breathing lying in the roadway. Paramedics transported the victim to Resolute Health Hospital where she was pronounced deceased. The identity of the woman remains under investigation and next of kin has not yet been notified.

All of the southbound main lanes of I-35 in that area were closed for about 1 hour while the NBPD Traffic Unit conducted the fatality investigation. The initial results of the investigation show that the female was attempting to cross the highway and made it part way across before being struck by an as-yet unknown vehicle, which continued driving without stopping to render aid. The investigation is ongoing and NBPD is investigating the incident as a hit and run fatality.

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