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News Advisory

WHAT: Fatal Hit and Run Traffic Accident, 1 killed, 1 injured

WHERE: 34077 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu

WHEN: Sunday, June 28, 2009

NARRATIVE

At 1:27 a.m. on the above date, two bicyclists en route back to Malibu from the annual 200 mile "Grand Tour" event sponsored by the "Los Angeles Wheelman Ride" were struck by a vehicle as they were traveling eastbound on the shoulder of the 34000 block of Pacific Coast Highway. The driver left the location and abandoned the vehicle a short distance from the collision.

Rodrigo "Rod" Armas, a Los Angeles County Deputy Probation Officer, was pronounced dead at the scene from traumatic injuries. His 14 year old son was transported, via ambulance, to UCLA Medical Center where he is listed in stable condition with numerous broken bones. Rodrigo Armas is survived by his wife Shelly, his 14 year old son, and his two daughters, ages 9 and 12.

The driver of the vehicle was located a short distance away. He displayed symptoms of alcohol intoxication and was arrested.

The suspect is a records clerk for the city of Malibu.