



# RIVERSIDE COUNTY SHERIFF RANCHO MIRAGE POLICE TRAFFIC SERVICES



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Palm Desert Traffic Services Team is currently investigating a fatal traffic collision in the City of Rancho Mirage. The collision occurred at 0513 hours, December 15, 2003, involving a bicyclist traveling north on Highway 111 in the area of Atrium Way. The cyclist was struck from the rear and was found by a passing motorist minutes later. The following is a profile of the vehicle that may have been involved in the collision.

## **VEHICLE PROFILE**

Pre 1990's vehicle

The vehicle has a large profile

The vehicle may be a pick up, van or SUV type vehicle

The vehicle has a sealed beam rectangular glass headlamp

The vehicle may have a broken black transparent rock and bug deflector

The vehicle may have had the rock/bug deflector removed or replaced

## **DAMAGE PATTERN**

Hood damage right of center (passenger side)

Headlamp damage (passenger side)

Headlamp recently replaced (passenger side)

No windshield damage

## **PHYSICAL EVIDENCE**

Elongated indentation on top of hood right of center (passenger side)

Possible Red and or Black paint transfers on the vehicle

Possible clothing weave patterns embedded into the hood's paint

Any information please contact the Palm Desert Station, Deputy R. Kothlow at 760 836 1600 or 760 836 1729.