



PRESS RELEASE

Suspect in custody after Fatal Police Pursuit – Investigators continuing investigation into suspect's actions

The Warren Police Department would like to provide an initial update regarding a vehicle pursuit which resulted in fatality in the area of 10 Mile west of Dequindre. Sadly, an uninvolved motorist in another vehicle was struck by the suspect vehicle. A 42-year-old female died from the injuries she sustained during this incident. The suspect is currently in the custody of the Warren Police Department.

The preliminary investigation shows that, at approximately 01:35am, two Warren Police Officers in full uniform and a fully marked patrol car were on routine patrol in the area of 8 Mile and Ryan when their attention was drawn to a group of three Dodge Chargers traveling at a high rate of speed on westbound 8 Mile. Officers activated their emergency equipment and attempted to stop the three vehicles for drag racing. A vehicle pursuit then ensued with all three of the Dodges failing to stop for officers. Two of the Dodges traveled westbound 8 Mile to northbound on Ryan. At 10 Mile and Ryan, two of the Dodges turned left and traveled westbound with officers in pursuit. On 10 Mile west of Dequindre, a Dodge driven by a 26-year-old male struck a Jeep Cherokee which was occupied by a driver and a female passenger. The 42-year-old female passenger of the Jeep sustained serious injuries and was pronounced deceased. The driver of the Jeep, the driver of the Dodge, and two other passengers inside the Dodge were all transported to an area hospital due to injuries sustained. All are listed in stable condition as of this time. The 26-year-old driver is in custody at an area Hospital. Investigators are working to identify the driver of the second Dodge Charger from the pursuit. The third Dodge Charger involved in this incident returned to the scene with all occupants being interviewed by Warren Investigators. Investigators have worked to notify the victim's next of kin.

Like every police pursuit, this pursuit was closely monitored in real time by patrol supervisors. Traffic was light throughout the entire pursuit which lasted approximately 3 minutes in length. This is an active and ongoing investigation with investigators canvassing for additional video along the path of the pursuit.

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