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November 11, 2023 Fatal Collison Investigation

On November 11, at 2:46 am Oldham County Dispatch received calls concerning a vehicle traveling the wrong way on I-71, southbound in the northbound lanes. The vehicle was identified as a black Dodge. The original location of the vehicle was reported near the 18-mile marker, (exit 18) subsequent calls reported the vehicle nearing the 14-mile marker (exit 14) still northbound.

At 2:48 am, Dispatch received calls reporting a collision that occurred at exit 14. Upon arrival on the scene, also at 2:48 am, officers observed a severely damaged black Dodge Charger and a male subject laying outside of the vehicle. It appeared the Charger struck the front of a U-Haul box truck.

Oldham County EMS responded to the scene and pronounced the driver of the Charger deceased. The driver has been identified as Antwon L. Thornton, 46, of Louisville, KY. The driver and passenger of the U-Haul received minor injuries, they were treated and released.

Additional information, it is undetermined exactly when Mr. Thornton entered I-71. The speed of the Charger is also undetermined. I-71 was shut down from 3:08 am to 5:35 am. Further investigation and toxicology results are pending.

Multiple emergency services responded and assisted with the incident, South Oldham Fire Department, Oldham County EMS, Oldham County Coroner, LMPD, and the Oldham County Police Dept

If anyone has information related to this incident, please contact the Oldham County Police.