



# HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## Media Release

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**Subject:** Homicide Investigation

On Dec. 7, 2018, at about 2:49 a.m., Humboldt County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the area of State Highway 36 near mile marker 43 for the report of a traffic collision and gunshot victim.

When deputies arrived on scene, they located a truck alongside the road with damage consistent with a traffic collision. Inside the vehicle, deputies located a 47-year-old male victim with a gunshot wound to the head. The victim was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

While continuing to investigate, Sheriff's deputies located a second vehicle possibly involved in the collision on Van Duzen Road near Alton.

Sheriff's investigators are currently in the process of interviewing witnesses and gathering evidence. This incident is being investigated as a homicide.

Anyone with information about this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to contact Investigator Mark Peterson at (707) 445-7251.