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**Justin Wyatt**  
Chief of Police

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**CASES # 21-1440**

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**Date:** August 7, 2021

**Location:** Ukiah Valley, CA

A single-vehicle accident south of Ukiah has resulted in the death of one person and the injury of two.

On August 7, 2021, at approximately 1:35 AM, Ukiah Police Officers in a fully marked patrol vehicle observed a vehicle running a red light at Gobbi Street and South State Street. The Officers attempted to initiate a traffic stop for the observed violation; however, the vehicle failed to stop and sped off.

This led to a pursuit, during which the officers lost sight of the vehicle, as it was traveling in speeds of excess of 100 mph on Highway 101. While checking the area for the vehicle, the officers located it in the 4000 block of Burke Hill Road, where it had been involved in single-vehicle accident. Officers immediately summoned aid. One person was pronounced dead at the scene, one was airlifted to an out-of-area hospital, and the third was transferred to Ukiah Valley Medical Center.

The circumstances of the collision are being investigated by the California Highway Patrol. Additional details will be provided as they become available.

Captain Noble Waidelich