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OFF HIGHWAY - FATAL CRASH

Imperial County, CA – On March 22, 2025, at approximately 12:05 PM, a 64-year-old male was driving a Black 2023 Can Am in the Superstition Off Highway Recreational Area near Wheeler Road, in a westerly direction at an unknown speed. For reasons still under investigation, the driver of the Black 2023 Can Am crashed with a Tan 2023 Can Am also traveling in a westerly direction. As a result of the crash both vehicles overturned. The driver of the Black 2023 sustained major injuries and was transported to Desert Regional Medical Center while his 61-year-old female passenger succumbed to her injuries and was pronounced deceased on scene. The Imperial County Coroner's Office was notified, responded to the scene, and took possession of the deceased female (Coroner's Case #25-058). The 26-year-old male driver of the Tan 2023 Can Am sustained minor injuries and was transported to El Centro Regional Medical Center. A 29-year-old female passenger traveling in the Tan 2023 Can Am sustained major injuries and was transported to Desert Regional Medical Center. All parties and passengers were wearing helmets and restrained at the time of this crash.

The California Highway Patrol wants to remind the motoring public to focus on driving defensively and distraction-free every time they get behind the wheel.

If you have questions or need further information,
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