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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

Fatal Traffic Crash

For Immediate Release

Date: 04/12/22 Case: SO2219744 **Contact Person** 

Captain Mark Thompson

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On 04-12-22 at approximately 11:12 A.M., the Rock County Sheriff's Office and the Janesville Fire Department were dispatched to the 4900 block of N. River Road in Janesville Township for a traffic crash. Upon arrival and investigation, it was discovered a Rock County Department of Public Works (DPW) dump truck was traveling S/B on N. River Road and had a large tree fall across the road and strike the cab. The tree was not cut and randomly fell due to environmental factors. The 61-year-old DPW employee (of Edgerton) was found deceased due to injuries sustained from the falling tree.

The Rock County Sheriff's Office Drone Team responded and documented the scene for evidentiary purposes. There is no criminal investigation at this time. Further information along with the identity of the driver may be released by the Rock County Medical Examiner's Office at a later date.

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By: Sergeant Natter