Date: October 20, 2019

Garden City Police Investigate Fatal Traffic Collision

GARDEN CITY- On October 20, 2019, at approximately 3:50 PM Garden City Police Officers responded the area of Glenwood and Chinden in reference to a vehicle collision. Upon arrival the officers observed a Gold 2000 Ford Ranger lying upside down on its roof in the parking lot of Recycle Boise Inc., 4725 Glenwood Garden City. The vehicle was badly damaged and the driver was severely injured and pinned in the vehicle. Officers immediately called for paramedics and Boise Fire to assist with extrication.

Ada County Paramedics and Boise Fire quickly arrived on scene and helped remove the driver, later identified as a 28-year-old male from Nampa. Upon removal, the Ada County Paramedics and Boise Fire Personnel performed lifesaving procedures on the driver. The Ada County Paramedics transported the driver to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center where he passed away as a result of his injuries.

Evidence at the scene indicated that the Gold Ford Ranger was traveling southbound on Glenwood at a very high rate of speed when the driver lost control causing the vehicle to leave the roadway. The Ford Ranger then struck a commercial business sign, impacted an unoccupied truck parked in the parking lot of Recycle Boise, and flipped onto its roof before coming to a stop. Garden City Police and the Ada County Sheriff’s Accident Reconstruction Team are working to reconstruct the accident and complete the investigation. Based on the evidence located at the scene, officers believe that speed was a contributing factor to the accident. Officer’s also located evidence at the scene that would support alcohol may have been another contributing factor.

Chief Allen stated, “This is a tragic accident and our thoughts and prayers are with the family of deceased. One of the witnesses to the crash had just exited the truck parked at Recycle Boise, prior to the Ford Ranger slamming into the driver’s door. This was a very close call and we are extremely lucky and thankful that no one else was injured or killed.”

This accident remains under investigation. Anyone who may have witnessed the accident or anyone who has any information that might help the investigation is encouraged to call the Garden City Police Department at (208) 472-2950.