A 39 year old male employee was fatally injured when he was struck by a vehicle while checking the cover on a manhole during a heavy rain.

At approximately 11:04 PM, two officers traveled to the 2900 block of Hamill Road to respond to a call concerning an overflowing manhole cover. They only expected to be at the scene for a couple of minutes. When they arrived, they examined the scene and determined there was not much they could do. They planned to report the incident to the city’s public works department and move on with the rest of their shift, which had just begun. As they walked back to their vehicle, the victim turned around and walked back to the manhole cover. He bent over alongside the manhole cover and examined it with his flashlight. It is believed he was picking up a sign that had fallen into the roadway. At that moment a car was speeding down the center of the road. The victim was struck, crashing into the windshield, over the roof and landing approximately 160 feet down the road. The second officer made an emergency call over his radio, moved his vehicle into the roadway and turned on the flashing blue lights to block traffic. He then began administering CPR on the victim. Later, it was determined that the driver of the vehicle was impaired.

**Citation(s) as Originally Issued**

A complete inspection was conducted at the accident scene. Some of the items cited may not directly relate to the fatality.

NO CITATIONS were issued as a result of this investigation.

NO PHOTOS were taken during the inspection/investigation.