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PRESS RELEASE

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Injury Collision

Location of Incident: Avenue B and area of County 21st Street, Somerton, AZ

On Friday, February 28, 2020, at approximately 1:34 PM, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office received a report of a multi-vehicle injury collision on Avenue B in the area of County 21st Street.

The initial investigation revealed a grey 2007 Toyota Camry sedan was traveling southbound on Avenue B following a semi-truck and an agricultural bus. An unknown vehicle attempted to pass the Camry, the bus, and the semi. The driver of the Camry followed the unknown vehicle and attempted to make the pass. The Camry was unable to complete the pass safely due to oncoming traffic traveling northbound on Avenue B. The driver of the Camry attempted to move to the east side of the roadway and struck a red 2017 Toyota Corolla that was traveling northbound on Avenue B. The Corolla was then rear ended by a black 2005 Chrysler 300 that was also traveling northbound. The impact caused the Chrysler to cross over the centerline into the path of the semi truck, resulting in a head on collision.

The drivers of the Toyota Camry and the Toyota Corolla were transported to Yuma Regional Medical Center for non-life-threatening injuries. The driver and front seat passenger of the Chrysler were flown to a Phoenix area hospital for serious injuries. The driver of the semi was uninjured. This case remains under investigation, however alcohol does not appear to be a factor in this collision.

Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org to submit an anonymous tip.

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