## **LEMOORE POLICE DEPARTMENT**



## PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday, July 7, 2015, at about 9:26 p.m., the Lemoore police officers responded to an injury traffic collision in the area of S. 19th Ave. at the overpass of SR-198. Over the course of investigation, it was determined that a red Lexus SUV was being driven east on SR 198 and exited at the S. 19th Ave. off-ramp in Lemoore. When the driver got to the top of the off ramp at S. 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, he failed to negotiate a turn and crossed through the intersection. The vehicle went off the west embankment of S. 19th Ave. and came to rest in a field below. The driver and a female passenger were airlifted to Community Regional Medical Center in Fresno with serious injuries. Another female passenger sustained major injuries and was transported to Adventist Medical Center. She was then transported to C.R.M.C., but ultimately died from her injuries. Lemoore officers are investigating the reason why the driver did not negotiate when he got to the intersection.

Anyone with information regarding this collision is encouraged to contact the Lemoore Police Department at (559) 924-9574.