

## **Rail Incident Investigation Report**

Public Crossing	Private Crossing	Trestle	Pedestrian at Crossing	
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### II. Time and Location of Accident

Date: Time:

Daylight

N/A

No

**USDOT Crossing No.:** UTC Crossing No.:

GPS Identifier: Lat: Railroad Milepost: Lon:

Number of Tracks: City: County:

Darkness

Road name, yard name, bridge:

Visibility Due to Weather:

## **III. Conditions Surrounding the Accident**

Weather: Clear to cloudy Rain Snow Fog **Road Condition:** Dry Wet Snow Ice

Unknown

Train Type: Freight Locomotive only Cars only Passenger

Train Speed:

Remote Control: Yes N/A

Type of Haz-Mat:

Haz-Mat on Train: Yes

IV. Pedestrian, Driver, or Passenger Fatalities	Does this section apply? Yes No
Number of Fatalities:	If a vehicle accident, number of passengers:
Name: Driver: Passenger Pedestrian	Age: Gender: Male Female non-binary
Pedestrian trying to get on/off train? Yes No	Suicide: Yes No Undetermined
Alcohol: Yes No Undetermined	Information supplied by:
Drugs: Yes No Undetermined	Information supplied by:
Names of additional fatalities:	

Docket No: TR-

V. Pedestrian, Driver, or Passenger Injuries Does this section apply? Yes No

Number of people injured: If a vehicle accident, number of passengers:

Name:

Driver: Passenger: Pedestrian: Age: Gender: Male Female non-binary

Pedestrian trying to get on/off train? Yes No

Drugs: Yes No Undetermined Alcohol: Yes No Undetermined

Names of additional injured persons:

VI. Pedestrian Access (not at a Crossing)

Does this section apply? Yes

No

Obvious signs of consistent pedestrian trespass? Yes No

If yes, describe:

Pedestrian (not at a crossing) information: Accessing public area? Yes No

If yes, describe:

Deterrents at site, e.g. fence, signs, other? Yes No

If yes, describe:

Previous collisions at or near site? Yes No

If yes, describe:

VII. Crossing History Does this section apply? Yes No

Prior accidents at this crossing? Yes No How many?

Dates of prior accidents:

Description of prior accidents (fatalities, injuries, property damage)

Last inspection date?

Defects? Yes No If yes, describe:

VIII. Attachments

Railroad incident report? Yes No Local law enforcement report? Yes No

Coroner/medical examiner report? Yes No Pictures? Yes No

Death Certificate? Yes No Copy of most current inventory? Yes No

Other (describe):

Docket No: TR-		
IX. Comments		
Event Summary:		
Site Description:		
Inspector Recommendations:		

Docket No: TR-	
Rail Safety Supervisor Comments/Sign Off:	
Director of Transportation Safety Comments/Sign Off:	

























From: Service, Interruption Desk

OPR DL (SI Desk Use ONLY) Cargorelated: OPR DL (SI Desk Use ONLY) North Region Incident: Lee, Mike W: Morehouse, Craig: Moyer, Jason: Clark, Daniel P; Wessler, Richard W; Noel, Tamara T; Huston, Scott T; Melonas, Gus S; Wallace, Courtney WUTC Rail Reporting (UTC): Halstead, Lori (UTC) To:

Cc: 042920 - XRGTTMP927 - Trespasser - Tacoma, WA Subject:

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 1:29:17 AM

## BNSF Fort Worth – Network Operations Center – INCIDENT REPORT

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## Cause Code: Description:

## **Brief Narrative of Incident:**

2352CT – X RGTTMP9 27A reported striking a trespasser on MT2 at MP 9.2 on the Seattle Subdivision, between Nelson Bennet and Pioneer. This incident did not occur at a road crossing. There are no injuries to the crew and the status of the trespasser is currently unknown.

Lead locomotive (BNSF 7819) is camera equipped.

Division officer notified, ETA 0035CT.

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#### Update #1

Local authorities confirmed trespasser fatally injured. Medical Examiner notified, ETA pending. Currently holding traffic on both main tracks until further notice.

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#### Closeout

0323CT – All personnel in the clear. I/B crew will bring train to Harbor for crew change. Both tracks returned to service.

Post Accident To	esting (FRA):							
Did this incident meet FRA Post Accident Testing criteria?	No							
Contact MEH Dept at:  (817) 352-1648 during normal business hours.  (817) 352-1613 after hours, weekends and holidays. If no answer, page email Kimberly Farris and Julie Murphy when the following applies:  -Employee/Contractor Fatality.  -Damage to railroad property exceeding \$1.5 million.  -Collision with injury or \$150,000 damage  -Passenger train accident with reportable injury  -Human Factor Grade-Crossing Accident?  If Yes, Name of Claims Agent.  -A release of hazardous material that results in an evacuation or a reportable injury.								
Does the NOC GDT agree with the above analysis?	Yes							
Craft being Post Accident Tested:	N/A							

Notification	s:		
Time:	Entity:	Person Notified:	Reminders:
2354CT	Service Interruption:	EDH by DS 75	Include who notified SID.
2358CT	Resource Operations:	PCS Esther Chavez	
	OPR DL Cargorelated	Rpt. to distribution list.	Copy of this report
2356CT	DTM/Terminal	Jeremy Ilaoa	Get ETA, check Cell number.
	Manager:		
2356CT	RFE:	Brent Burin	Get ETA, check Cell number.
2359CT	Signal Desk:	via Remedy	817-593-5998
2359CT	MOW Desk:	Stephen Cartrette	817-593-6823 Option 1
2359CT	Mechanical Desk:	Gerald Duke	817-593-9128
2359CT	NOC GDT:	Mike Lee	
2356CT	Div. General Manager:	Craig Morehouse	
2356CT	Div. GDT:	Jason Moyer	
2356CT	Corridor Supt:	Daniel Clark	
200001	Div. Sup Ops / Term	Barrier Glark	
	Sup:		
2359CT	MDPR	via Remedy	817-352-1312
0003CT/29	Passenger Service:	VMS	Email report to Rich Wessler and
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	Affairs, and Evidence		crude oil trains.
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	Preservation		
			Major Hazardous Incidents
	Major event group page list (Not MIP)		
	Also page Region VP.		Employee Fatalities, life threatening
	Also page Region VP.		injuries, or amputations.
	(It is located with the		Add "Preliminary Report" to the
	SID Locomotive group		subject line.
	lists)		
	Conference Calls:		If Conf Call is being established: Notify: NOC MECH/MOW Desk & ROC
	Hazardous Incidents:		Page for all Hazardous Incidents:
	Contact East/West On-		Pat Brady, Piper, Justin, Reid, Clay D,
	call Manager		Howard Horn, David C Clark, John D.
			Lovenburg, Allen Stegman
	ChemTrec (USA)		Call Emergency Number listed on the
	800-424-9300		Waybill whenever a HAZ MAT car is
	CapuToc (Capada)		involved in a derailment or damaged; whether leaking or not.
	CanuTec (Canada) 888-226-8832 or		whether leaking or not.
	613-996-6666		Run TSS: WBCOPY & HAZ & EXCR
	NRC:		The state of the s
	800 - 424 - 8802		
	(Initial SID Analysis)		
0008CT/29	Examples for notifying:	Rpt. #1276287	Obtain their Report Number and
300001727	Passenger Train/Route	Npt. // 12/020/	name of person who took the report.
	\$150,000 incident		
	Employee/Contractor		
0004CT/29	Fatality State:	WA EO - Dan - Rpt. #20-1264	
000401/29	State.	Email rpt. to:	
		utcrailreporting@utc.wa.gov	
		LoriHalstead@utc.wa.gov	
	California - CUPA		
	Foreign Railroad:		
	Page "Go Team"		If appropriate notify Mark Schulze.
			Copy of this report:
			Maia LaSalle: MT, WY
			Jeanelle Davis: AL, AR, LA, MS, TN, TX Lena Kent: AZ, CA, TX, LA, MS, AR, AL,
	State Corporate	Gus Melonas / Courtney Wallace	Lena Kent: AZ, CA, TX, LA, MS, AR, AL, TN
	Relations:	- copy of this report	Amy McBeth: MB, MN, ND, SD, WI
			Joe Sloan: CO, OK, NM, UT, NV
			Gus Melonas/Courtney Wallace:
			BC, ID, OR, WA
			Andy Williams: KS, MO, NE, IL, KY, IA
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From: State Emergency Operations Officer (MIL)

Pierce County Duty Officer (pceoc@co.pierce.wa.us); ECY RE SWRO ERTS COORDINATOR; Grinnell, Kristopher To:

(ECY); Hunter, Kathy (UTC); Kenneth W. Holgard; Mark Daniels (FRA); Michael Pirato; Stacey Thompson (Fed

Railroad Association Reg 8); Stacey Weller; Steven Travers; WUTC Rail Reporting (UTC)

Subject: BNSF Railroad Incident - 042820 Date: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 10:14:47 PM

Please see the below information involving a railroad that has been reported the State Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Please reply to this email to confirm receipt of this message.

Thank you,

Name of the Railroad(s) involved: BNSF Railroad

Reporting Party Name, Position and Contact Number: Ed Harper - BNSF Operations

Time and Date Called in to the State EOC: 22:05 on 04/28/20

Time and Date of the Event: 22:00 on 04/282/20

Mile post and/or Address of Event: M/P 9.2 on the Seattle sub-division near Tacoma

Circumstances of the Incident: Train struck a trespasser (not at a crossing)

Number of Injuries and/or Fatalities: Unknown at this time

Type of Rail Cars Involved (tank, hopper, box, flat, etc.): Freight train

Type and Amount of HAZMAT spilled: None

Any Additional Details That Will Assist in Identifying the Necessary Response: BNSF Train number:

XRGTTMP927 northbound on main track #2

Name and Phone Local POC: Jerame Ilaoa at: 308-760-9721

Railroad Incident Number: None

State EOC Incident Number: 20-1264

Dan Fox

State Emergency Operations Officer Washington State Emergency Management Division Building 20, MS: TA-20

Camp Murray, WA 98430-5122

1-800-258-5990

dan.fox@mil.wa.gov

From: State Emergency Operations Officer (MIL)

To: Grinnell, Kristopher (ECY); Tacoma, City of (dutyofficer@cityoftacoma.org); ECY RE SWRO ERTS COORDINATOR;

Hunter, Kathy (UTC); Kenneth W. Holgard; Mark Daniels (FRA); Michael Pirato; Stacey Thompson (Fed Railroad

Association Reg 8); Stacey Weller; Steven Travers; WUTC Rail Reporting (UTC)

Subject: FW: NRC#1276287

**Date:** Tuesday, April 28, 2020 10:28:44 PM

FYI... See NRC below and reply when relieved.

Thanks

Dan Fox

State Emergency Operations Officer
Washington State Emergency Management Division
Building 20, MS: TA-20
Camp Murray, WA 98430-5122
1-800-258-5990
dan.fox@mil.wa.gov

----Original Message----

From: HQS-SMB-NRC@uscg.mil < HQS-SMB-NRC@uscg.mil>

Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 10:26 PM

To: State Emergency Operations Officer (MIL) < Dutyofficer@mil.wa.gov>; State Emergency Operations Officer

(MIL) <Dutyofficer@mil.wa.gov>; Clark, Anthony B (MIL) <Anthony.Clark@mil.wa.gov>

Subject: NRC#1276287

NATIONAL RESPONSE CENTER 1-800-424-8802
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Incident Report # 1276287

## INCIDENT DESCRIPTION

\*Report taken by NRC on 29-APR-20 at 01:18 ET. Incident Type: RAILROAD NON-RELEASE

Incident Cause: TRESPASSER

Affected Area:

Incident occurred on 28-APR-20 at 23:54 local incident time. Affected Medium: RAIL REPORT (N/A) / TRESPASSER

REPORTING PARTY

Name: ED HARPER
Organization: BNSF RAILWAY
Address: 2650 LOU MENK DRIVE
FORT WORTH, TX 76131

Email Address:

PRIMARY Phone: (817)3522832

Type of Organization: PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

SUSPECTED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Name: UNKNOWN

Organization: Address:

Type of Organization: UNKNOWN

#### INCIDENT LOCATION

SEATTLE SUBDIVISION County: PIERCE

City: TOCOMA State: WA

### RELEASED MATERIAL(S)

#### DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

CALLER IS REPORTING THE DISCOVERY OF A TRESPASSER THAT WAS STRUCK BY A TRAIN. THE CALLER HAD NO INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF THE TRESPASSERS WELL BEING.

#### SENSITIVE INFORMATION

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#### **INCIDENT DETAILS**

Grade Crossing: NO

Location Subdivision: SEATTLE

Railroad Milepost: 9.2 Type of Vehicle Involved: Crossing Device Type: Device Operational: YES DOTCrossing Number:

Date and Time Service was/will be Restored:

Brake Failure: NO

Federal Post-Accident 219.201 Sub Part C Testing Required: NO

Passenger Train Route: YES

Passenger Train Delay Expected: UNK Passenger Train Delay Handling: ---RAILROAD INFORMATION---Railroad Involved: BNSF RAILWAY

Train Number: XRGTTMP927

Train Type: FREIGHT Train Direction: N

Train Speed: Track Speed:

Locomotives: 3 Cars: 115 Derailed: 0

Suspected DOT Regulation Non Compliance: UNKNOWN

DERAILED CARS:

Pos. Carnumber Type Cargo

## **IMPACT**

Fire Involved: NO Fire Extinguished: UNKNOWN

INJURIES: UNKNOWN Sent to Hospital: Empl/Crew: Passenger:

FATALITIES: NO Empl/Crew: Passenger: Occupant: EVACUATIONS:NO Who Evacuated: Radius/Area:

Damages: NO

Hours Direction of

Closure Type Description of Closure Closed Closure

Air: NO

Major

Road: NO Artery:NO

Waterway:NO

Track: YES MAIN TRACK 2 .5 N

Passengers Transferred: NO

Environmental Impact: UNKNOWN

Media Interest: NONE

REMEDIAL ACTIONS

**NONE** 

Release Secured: UNKNOWN

Release Rate:

Estimated Release Duration:

WEATHER

ADDITIONAL AGENCIES NOTIFIED

Federal:

State/Local:

State/Local On Scene:

State Agency Number:

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NOTIFICATIONS BY NRC

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL (GRASP)

29-APR-20 01:25 (770)4887100

CGIS D13 FIELD OFFICE (CGIS D13 COMMAND CENTER)

29-APR-20 01:25 (206)2207141

DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (SECRETARY'S OPERATION CENTER (SOC))

29-APR-20 01:25

DHS DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY (CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL TECHNOLOGIES

DEPARTMENT)

29-APR-20 01:25 (703)7673477

NATIONAL COORDINATING CTR FOR COMMS (NCC COMM-ISAC)

29-APR-20 01:25 (703)2355626

DHS CYBER & INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY (OFC OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION RGN X)  $29\text{-}\mathrm{APR}\text{-}20\,01\text{:}25\,(202)8215301}$ 

OFFICE OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION (WA STATE PROTECTIVE SECURITY ADVISOR)

29-APR-20 01:25 (202)8053379

DOT CRISIS MANAGEMENT CENTER (MAIN OFFICE)

29-APR-20 01:25 (202)3661863

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMIN. (MAIN OFFICE (AUTO))

29-APR-20 01:25 (202)4930636

U.S. EPA X SEATTLE (MAIN OFFICE)

(206)5531263

FEMA REGION 10 (MAIN OFFICE)

29-APR-20 01:25 (425)4874704

NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE COORD CTR (MAIN OFFICE)

29-APR-20 01:25 (202)2829201

NOAA RPTS FOR WA (MAIN OFFICE)

29-APR-20 01:25 (206)5264911

NTSB RAIL (MAIN OFFICE)

29-APR-20 01:25 (202)3146293

OREGON TITAN FUSION CENTER (FUSION COMMAND CENTER)

29-APR-20 01:25 (877)6204702

WA STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (MAIN OFFICE)

29-APR-20 01:25 (800)2585990

TSA OFFICE OF SECURITY OPERATIONS (SURFACE OPS/PSAT - OREGON OFFICE)

29-APR-20 01:25 (614)7328440

TSA SURFACE TRANSPORTATION SECURITY (TWIC ENFORCEMENT)

29-APR-20 01:25 (206)3875236

USCG DISTRICT 13 (DISTRICT THIRTEEN (DRAT - DRMM))

29-APR-20 01:25 (206)2207221

VOLPE CENTER (TRANSPORTATION HUMAN FACTORS)

29-APR-20 01:25 (617)4942000

WASHINGTON STATE FUSION CENTER (FUSION COMMAND CENTER)

29-APR-20 01:25 (877)8439522

WA UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMM (RAILROAD SAFETY)

29-APR-20 01:25 (360)6641160

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

\*\*\* END INCIDENT REPORT #1276287 \*\*\*
Report any problems by calling 1-800-424-8802

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# Tacoma Police Department Incident Report

## Incident No. 2011901971.1

**Jurisdiction Agency: Tacoma Police Department** 

PDA: <b>No</b>	Homeland Security:	No	Subject:	Death Investigation	201
IBR Disposition:	Active	С	ase Managem Disposit		011901971
Forensics:	Forensics Responded	R	eporting By/D		9/1.1
Case Report Status:	Approved	R	eviewed By/D	e: T04654 - Jepson, Kevin 4/29/2020 04:00:02	

## **Related Cases:**

Case Report Number	Agency
20-0989	Medical Examiner

## **Non-Electronic Attachments**

Attachment Type	Additional Distribution	Count
CKL - Checklist (MVTR, Missing		1
Persons, Death Investigation, DV,		
etc.)		

Location Address:	6th Ave/ Hidden Beach Rd	Location Name:	Hidden Beach Bridge
City, State, Zip:		Cross Street:	6th Ave
Contact Location:		City, State, Zip:	
Recovery Location:		City, State, Zip:	
CB/Grid/RD:	111 - Tacoma	District/Sector:	TA23 - Tacoma
Occurred From:	4/28/2020 21:50:00 Tuesday	Occurred To:	4/28/2020 22:00:00 Tuesday
Notes:			

Offense Details: 0810 - Death Investigation

Domestic Violence:	No	Child Abuse:	No	Gang Related:	No/Unknown	Juvenile:	No			
Completed:	Comple	eted		Crime Against:		Hate/Bias:	None (No Bias)			
Cargo Theft:	-	Criminal Activity:				Using:				
Location Type:	Railroa of Way	d Tracks / Ri	ght	Type of Security:		Tools:				
Total No. of Units Entered:				Evidence Collected:	Blood Clothes Fingerprints Photographs					
Entrance Compromised:	Not Applicable									
Entry Method:										
Suspect Description:										

Call Source:	Dispatched	Ass	sisted By:	T210	)818 - Sch	eetz, Branc	lon	
Phone Report:	No		Notified:					
Insurance Letter:		En	itered By:	2131	213133 - Forbes, John			
Entered On:	4/29/2020 01:25:27	Арр	roved By:	Auto	Automated Policy			
Approved On:	4/29/2020 04:05:31	Exceptional C	learance:					
Adult/ Juvenile Clearance:		Exceptional Cleara	nce Date:					
Additional Distribution:		Other Dis	stribution:					
Validation Processing	Distribution Date: 4/29/2020	County Pros. Atty.	Juver	nile	Other	CPS	Supervisor:	
	By: AUTOMATED POLICY	City Pros. Atty.	City Pros. Atty. Milita			ary DSHS PreTrial		
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Suspect Actions:	
Notes:	

## Victim V1: Le Master, Paul Ivan

PDA:

Aliases:												
DOB:	11/15/1	961	Age:	58	Sex:	Male	)	Race:	Asian/Paci	ific	Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Height:	5' 6"	Weigh	t: 15	0	Hair	Color:	Bla	ack			Eye Color:	Brown
Address:	1202 N	Pearl S	St Apt	Bb30	)2	Cou	nty:				Phone:	
City, State Zip:	Tacoma	a, WA 9	98406·	8365		Cour	ntry:			В	usiness Phone:	
Other Address:											Other Phone:	
Resident:	Full - Ti	ime Re	siden	t	Occupa	ation/Gra	ade:			Er	nployer/School:	
SSN:											Place of Birth:	
Driver License No:	DOL	DOL			Dri	ver Lice St	nse ate:	Washin	gton		Driver License Country:	United States of America
Attire:								ı			Complexion:	
SMT:											Facial Hair:	
Victim Of:	0810 - [	Death I	nvesti	igatio	n						Facial Shape:	
Victim Type:	Individu	ual			Circ	umstan	ces:				Weapon Used:	
Injury:						Tes	tify:			Repo	rting Statement Obtained:	
Type of Injury:	Deceas	ed								Fire [	Dept Response:	Engine 9, Medic 5, Ladder 3, Battallion 1
Hospital Taken To:					Medi	cal Rele Obtair					Taken By:	Medical Examine
Attending Physician:					Hold	l Placed	Ву:					

Victim Offender Relationships

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Offender:	Relationsh	nip:

Law Enforcement Officer Killed or	Type: Assignment:	Justifiable Homicide Circumstances:
Assaulted Information	Activity:	

Victim Notes:

Other Entity O1: Hodges, Jerry Edward

PDA: No

Aliases:										
DOB:	7/21/196	66	Age:	53	Sex:	Male	Race:	White	Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Height:	5' 9"	Weigh	t: <b>21</b>	0	Hair	Color:		'	Eye Color:	Blue
Address:	126 N St	t Sw	,		<u>'</u>	Count	/:		Phone:	509-289-0575
City, State Zip:	Quincy, WA 98848-1681				Country	<b>/</b> :		Business Phone:		
Other Address:									Other Phone:	
Resident:	Full - Time Resident O			Occupa	Occupation/Grade: Train Conductor			Employer/School:	BNSF	
SSN:									Place Of Birth:	
Driver License No:	DOLDOL			ver Licens State	1100	hington	Driver License Country:			
Attire:									Complexion:	
SMT:									Facial Hair:	
Entity Type:	<b>Driver</b> Reporting			Statemer Obtained			Facial Shape:			
Entity Notes: Train Conductor										

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Other Entity O	2: Vlasa	ak, St	even	Jar	nes						PDA: No
Aliases:											
DOB:	3/28/19	69	Age:	51	Sex:	Male		Race:	White	Ethnicity:	Non-Hispanic
Height:	5' 8"	Weigh	t: <b>17</b>	<b>'</b> 5	Hair	Color:				Eye Color:	Brown
Address:	4423 N	30TH S	St .			Cour	nty:			Phone:	206-909-8893
City, State Zip:	Tacoma	Tacoma, WA 98407-4625					try:			Business Phone:	
Other Address:		•								Other Phone:	
Resident:	Full - Ti	me Re	siden	t	Occupa	pation/Grade: Train Engineer				Employer/School:	BNSF
SSN:										Place Of Birth:	
Driver License No:	DOL	DOL			Dri	river License State: Washington			hington	Driver License Country:	
Attire:										Complexion:	
SMT:									Facial Hair:		
Entity Type:	Other In	ndividu	ıal		Reporting	Statem Obtain				Facial Shape:	
Entity Notes:	Train Er	ngineer									

Investigative Information

Means:	Motive:	
Vehicle Activity:	Direction Vehicle Traveling:	

Synopsis:

Narrative:

On 4/28/2020 at 2158 hours, Officer Scheetz and I responded to the train tracks near Hidden Beach Road off 6th Ave for pedestrian versus train collision.

The gate to the park was locked, so we had to walk a quarter mile down the trail to the pedestrian crossing bridge. In order to get down to the tracks, we used a small path on the east side of the bridge. I called out several times, but got no response. I went southbound, while Officer Scheetz went northbound along the tracks. Officer Scheetz located the individual underneath the train in the middle track of the three, about 50 yards northbound from the pedestrian bridge. There was no apparent signs of life and the individual had obvious severe head trauma. The head was face up, pointing southbound, chest and hips were severely twisted, and the feet were pointing northbound. The victim's shoes were torn off during the collision.

We secured the scene until the Fire Dept. arrived. Engine 9, Medic 5, Ladder 3, and Battalion arrived at approximately 2210 hours. They called time of death at 2219.

The train conductor stated that the individual was "just sitting in the middle of the tracks....kind of slumped over". The train conductor said that they were going 30 mph and that originally they thought it was just trash in the middle of the tracks. They were unable to stop the train in time and struck the individual underneath the pedestrian bridge.

Forensics was called out and photographed the scene.

Medical Examiners were called out at 2252 hours and arrived on scene at 2305 hours. ME 30, Jill Baird, responded and collected evidence. The body was removed at 0020 hours and transported to the Medical Examiner's office The ME located a wallet containing an ID card. The ID belonged to PAUL I LE MASTER, who matched the description of the individual hit by the train.

I filled out a Death Investigation Checklist.

Sqt. Jepson was advised.

Nothing Further.

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# Tacoma Police Department Supplemental Report

## Incident No. 2011901971.2

**Jurisdiction Agency: Tacoma Police Department** 

PDA: <b>No</b>	Homeland Security:	No	Subject:	De	ath Investigation   Follow-up	Inci <b>201</b>
IBR Disposition:	Active	Ca	ase Managem Disposit		APMR - Active - Pending Medical Records	Incident N 2011901
Forensics:		Re	porting By/D	ate:	T201320 - Martin, Jacob 5/6/2020 12:42:06	No.
Case Report Status:	Approved	Re	eviewed By/D	ate:	T04140 - Larkin, Patricia 5/7/2020 07:19:43	12

## **Related Cases:**

Case Report Number Agency

## **Non-Electronic Attachments**

Attachment Type Additional Distribution Count

Location Address:	6th Ave/ Hidden Beach Rd	Location Name:	Hidden Beach Bridge
City, State, Zip:		Cross Street:	
Contact Location:		City, State, Zip:	
Recovery Location:		City, State, Zip:	
CB/Grid/RD:	111 - Tacoma	District/Sector:	TA23 - Tacoma
Occurred From:	4/28/2020 21:50:00 Tuesday	Occurred To:	4/28/2020 22:00:00 Tuesday
Notes:			

Offense Details: 0810 - Death Investigation

Domestic Violence:	No	Child Abuse:	No	Gang Related:	No/Unknown	Juvenile:	No
Completed:	Comple	eted		Crime Against:		Hate/Bias:	None (No Bias)
Cargo Theft:	-	Criminal Activity:			1	Using:	,
Location Type:	Railroa of Way	d Tracks / R	ght	Type of Security:		Tools:	
Total No. of Units Entered:	_			Evidence Collected:	Blood Clothes Fingerprints Photographs		
Entrance Compromised:	Not Ap	plicable					
Entry Method:							
Suspect Description:							
Suspect Actions:							
Notes:							

## **Investigative Information**

Means:	Motive:	
Vehicle Activity:	Direction Vehicle Traveling:	

Call Source:	Dispatched	As	sisted By:				
Phone Report:	_		Notified:				
Insurance Letter:		Er	ntered By:	T201	320 - Mar	tin, Jacob	
Entered On:	5/6/2020 12:38:27	Арр	Approved By:			licy	
Approved On:	5/7/2020 07:23:07	Exceptional C	Exceptional Clearance:				
Adult/ Juvenile Clearance:		Exceptional Cleara	Exceptional Clearance Date:				
Additional Distribution:		Other Di	stribution:				
Validation Processing	Distribution Date: 5/7/2020	County Pros. Atty.	Juver	nile	Other	CPS	Supervisor:
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Synopsis:	
Narrative:	I am a detective with the Tacoma Police Department, Homicide Unit. I was assigned this case for further investigation. I reviewed the general report and photographs taken by forensics.
	On 5-6-2020 I contacted Brent Ostlund (BNSF Railway) and viewed the video from the BNSF engine. It appeared the camera had been mounted up near the cab of the engine. The camera had a clear view of front end of the engine and the railway in front of the train. The video clip was approximately two and ½ minutes long. I noted it was dark outside and the lights on the front of train where on. The train was traveling N/B and the speed (approx. 30mph) appeared consistent with what BNSF employees had told officers. The train approached what appeared to be an object on the tracks. It appeared the train started to slow and the horn was sounded. As the object got closer it become clear, it was a person sitting on the tracks. The individual appeared to be a male, wearing a dark hooded sweatshirt and pants. The male was sitting on the tracks with his feet toward the east rail (right track). The male had his head tucked down between his legs and his arms were down to his sides. The male did not look up or make any other movement before being struck by the train. The train slowed and eventually came to a stop.
	BNSF Railway will retain the video and I was not provided a copy.
	This investigation is pending the post-mortem and toxicology report from the Pierce County Medical Examiner.

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# Tacoma Police Department Supplemental Report

## Incident No. 2011901971.3

**Jurisdiction Agency: Tacoma Police Department** 

PDA: <b>No</b>	Homeland Security:	No	Subject:	Dea	ath Investigation   Case Disposition	20°
IBR Disposition:	Resolved	Ca	ase Managem Disposit		CERS - Cleared Exceptional - Resolved	Incident I 2011901
Forensics:		Re	eporting By/Da		T201320 - Martin, Jacob 6/9/2020 16:16:17	<b>1971</b>
Case Report Status:	Approved	Re	eviewed By/Da	ate:	T04140 - Larkin, Patricia 6/16/2020 15:56:11	.ω

## **Related Cases:**

Attachment Type

Case Report Number Agency

## **Non-Electronic Attachments**

Location Address:	6th Ave/ Hidden Beach Rd	Location Name:	Hidden Beach Bridge
City, State, Zip:		Cross Street:	_
Contact Location:		City, State, Zip:	
Recovery Location:		City, State, Zip:	
CB/Grid/RD	111 - Tacoma	District/Sector:	TA23 - Tacoma

Occurred To: 4/28/2020 22:00:00 Tuesday

Additional Distribution

Notes:

Offense Details: 0810 - Death Investigation

Occurred From: 4/28/2020 21:50:00 Tuesday

Domestic Violence:	No	Child Abuse:	No	Gang Related:	No/Unknown	Juvenile:	No
Completed:	Comp	leted		Crime Against:		Hate/Bias:	None (No Bias)
Cargo Theft:	•	Criminal Activity:			1	Using:	,
Location Type:	Railro	ad Tracks / Ri	ght	Type of Security:		Tools:	
Total No. of Units Entered:				Evidence Collected:	Blood Clothes Fingerprints Photographs		
Entrance Compromised:	Not Ap	oplicable					
Entry Method:							
Suspect Description:							
Suspect Actions:							
Notes:							

## Property Item No. 1/1: 9012 - Document - Medical Records

Other Common Item:		Photographed:	
Description:	ME Report - Pierce County	Fingerprinted:	

Call Source:	Dispatched	Ass	sisted By:				
Phone Report:	_	Notified:					
Insurance Letter:		Er	Entered By: T		T201320 - Martin, Jacob		
Entered On:	6/9/2020 16:07:18	Арр	Approved By:		Automated Policy		
Approved On:	6/16/2020 15:58:02	Exceptional C	Exceptional Clearance:				
Adult/ Juvenile Clearance:		Exceptional Cleara	Exceptional Clearance Date:				
Additional Distribution:		Other Di	Other Distribution:				
Validation Processing	Distribution Date: 6/16/2020	County Pros. Atty.	Juven	nile	Other	CPS	Supervisor:
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Jurisdiction Agency: Tacoma Police Department Quantity: Contents Sampled: Finding Location: Owner: Status: Value: E - Evidence (Including Other Seized **Property And Tools)** Recovered Date: Make/Brand: Recovered Value: Model: Field Tested: Serial No: Field Test Results: OAN: Property Disposition: Insurance Company: **Booked into Property** Disposition Location: Policy No: **Tacoma Police** Vehicle Information: License: Locked: License State: Keys in Vehicle: License Country: Delinquent Payment: Vehicle Year: Victim Consent: Make: Drivable: Model: Estimated Damage: Vehicle Style: Damage: Primary Vehicle Color: Damaged Area: Secondary Vehicle Color: Tow Company: VIN: Tow Consent: Special Features: Hold Requested By: **Drug Information:** Drug Measure: Drug Type: Drug Quantity: Drug Measure Type: **Jewelry Information:** Metal Color: Total # of Stones: Metal Type: Inscription: Stone Color: Generally Worn By: **Firearm Information:** Caliber: Length: Gauge: Finish: Action: Grips: Importer: Stock: Property Notes: WACIC LESA Enter Date Time Initial Release Date Release Time Release Info. Authority Clear Owner **Operators Name** Notified **Investigative Information** Means: Motive: Vehicle Activity: Direction Vehicle Traveling: Synopsis: Narrative: I received the Postmortem Examination Report from the Pierce County Medical Examiner's Office. The reported listed the following Cause of Death and Manner of Death. The report was later placed into property at Tacoma Police Headquarters. See report for further details. The Cause of Death: Multiple blunt force injuries

Report	olice Department Supplemental gency: Tacoma Police Department	Incident No. 2011901971.3	Page 3 of 3
	Manner of Death: Suicide	Dagalyad	
	This investigation is Cleared Exceptional	- Resolved.	
Reviewed By:		Reviewed Date:	

# DEATH INVESTIGATION CHECKLIST

	Case #: 2011901971
OFFICER ASSIGNED: 7. Forbes	Badge #:
To be completed by the first officer at the scene of any death investigation, regardless	s of the apparent cause.
Victim: Paul T Le Master Reported by:  Date of death: 4 29 2020 Time notified: 2158	Disportched Advised
Date of death: 4 29 2020 Time notified: 2158	Time of arrival on scene: 2204
Weather: Outside lighting conditions:	Temperature: 53 %
PERSON AT SCENE ON ARRIVAL	9
Ambulance drivers and company: Tacama Fire Dept.	
Hospital: 1//A	ime of death (if known): 2219
Fire Department personnel and treatment: E9: Steven Proper	Savid Sowers, Hannaly Brown
Medic 5: Daniel Berg , Joshua Schlesner Ladder?	5: Andres Sandyes, Journ for Gunnell,
EXAMINATION OF BODY AND IMMEDIATE SCENE:	Michael Oberston
A. Position of body (prone, on back, side, etc.):	twisted. Head Facing South Feet fain
B. Position of arms and legs: extended	
C. Obvious wounds: Brain trauma, missing skull	pieces
D. Clothing and its condition:	
E. Odors, if any: None	W. A. A. A. A. A.
F. Proximity to other buildings or houses: 50 yords away to	m Hidden Beach Bridge
Medical Examiner called - Time: 224 By: Officer Sche	Arrived: 2305
Time body removed: $\phi\phi \partial\phi$ Medical Examiner's name: $3$	Salra
Description of body when moved or turned over:	tett own right arm severed
intestines portially coming out of right side of sta	oinach
Scene secured (time): 2206 How: mattiple There's together	secure seene
Secured by: Jacona Police Depth	

## **Tacoma Police Department**

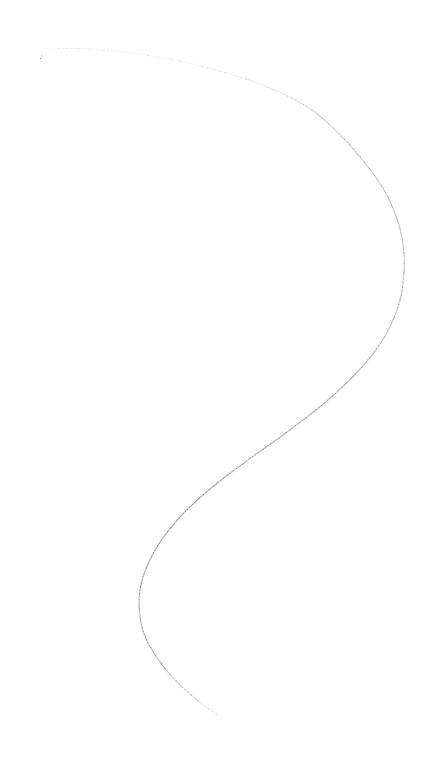
# FORENSIC SPECIALIST REPORT

Crime	MVC - FATALITY	Case No	2011901971	239 (23) 27 27 28 27 28		District	
Dispatch Date	4/28/2020	Time	22:18	Arrived	22:36	Cleared	00:32
Call Location	6th Ave. & Hidden Beach Rd., BNSF RR Track N. of						
Victim	Le Master, Paul Ivan		Address				

## **Details**

Latent Search Made	No	Results					
Evidence Recovered		Property Form		Diagram			
Photos Taken	Color 🗹	B&W □	Video □				
Prints Found On							
Showing	Photo slate; views of bridge extending from north end of Hidden Beach Rd. over railroad tracks, with trains stopped on eastern and middle tracks beneath; views of northbound BNSF train on middle track to include green "BN448412" cargo car with multiple areas of suspected blood and tissue on track under east side of car from rear wheel to front end of car, red cloth item against east rail under middle of car, and black right athletic shoe on track under front axle, green "BN448787" cargo car with multiple areas of suspected blood, tissue, and bone fragments on track under east side of car, and decedent on track to south of front axle in left lateral recumbent position with head to southeast and feet to northwest and with damaged black athletic shoe near left foot, orange "BNSF 8180" engine with areas of suspected blood and tissue on east front stairway and inside side of front stairway guard, orange "BNSF 7819" engine with areas of suspected blood on rear east stairway and inside of rear stairway guard, and views of front rail guard attachment; decedent (Le Master, Paul), clothed in blue jacket, blue shirt, brown underwear, blue denim pants, and white socks, with injuries to head, arms, and blue and long and Mashington Driver License for "LE MASTER, PAUL IVAN"						
Narrative	abdomen, and legs, and Washington Driver License for "LE MASTER, PAUL IVAN".  At the request of PPO J. Forbes I responded to the above location to assist with a death investigation. Upon my arrival Sgt. K. Jepson provided me with an overview of the incident. PPO J. Forbes then accompanied me from the Hidden Beach Rd. bridge down to the train tracks, where he showed me a BNSF train stopped on the middle track with areas of suspected blood, tissue, and bone on the track under multiple cargo cars, as well as the decedent on the track near the front axle of cargo car "BN448787". I also observed a shoe under the train. I took the above listed photographs. Pierce County Medicolegal Death Investigators J. Pendray and K. Hagen arrived at the scene and performed their investigation; I took additional photographs of the decedent once he was removed from under the train, and the investigators located a Washington Driver License for "LE MASTER, PAUL IVAN" in a wallet in the decedent's jacket pocket. Once MDI Pendray and MDI Hagen took custody of the decedent, PPO J. Douglas accompanied me to the front of the train, approximately ¼ mile north of the decedent's location, where I observed areas of suspected blood and tissue on the east front staircase of the second engine, "BNSF 8180", and on the east rear staircase of the leading engine, "BNSF 7819", which I photographed. PPO B. Scheetz, PPO S. Miller, and PPO A. Lucas were also present at the scene.						

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