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Traffic collision involving bicyclist results in fatality

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The driver, Landis, is a special agent with the US Drug Enforcement Administration and was on duty at the time of the collision.

No Salem Police employees were present at the time of the crash; however, the two agencies have a long-established partnership through a task force. Due to those circumstances, the Salem Police Department has requested the Keizer Police Department lead the investigation.

As this case is ongoing, no other details are available for release at this time. Any further information will be issued by the Keizer Police Department.

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Salem, Ore. — At approximately 3:45 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, Salem Police patrol officers responded to the scene of a traffic collision involving a bicyclist and the driver of a pick-up truck at the intersection of Leslie and High STS SE.

The preliminary investigation by the Salem Police Traffic Team revealed the bicyclist was riding southbound on High ST approaching Leslie ST when the driver of the truck traveling eastbound on Leslie ST entered the intersection and crossed the bicyclist's path of travel, resulting in a collision.

The bicyclist, 53-year-old Marganne Allen, suffered critical injuries and was transported to Salem Health where she later died.

The driver of the pick-up truck, Samuel Landis, age 37, was not injured. He remained on the scene and is cooperating with the investigation.

The intersection remained closed for approximately four hours as the incident was investigated, and the scene cleared.

No citations have been issued or arrest made as the Traffic Team investigation into the collision continues. No further information is available for release.