



OFFICIAL MEDIA RELEASE
KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: 06/24/2018

Complaint Number: 18-130508

Type of Incident: Fatal Crash

Reporting Officer: Deputy Schwab

Supervisor Approval: Sgt. DeGroot

On June 24, 2018 at 12:06AM the Kent County Sheriff's Department responded to a head-on traffic crash on Fruit Ridge Ave NW near 5 Mile Rd NW. A southbound Dodge Durango driven by Thomas Ybarra struck a northbound Chevrolet pickup truck towing a trailer driven by Christopher Wirgau. As a result of the crash Elizabeth Wirgau, a passenger in the northbound vehicle, sustained fatal injuries. A passenger in the southbound vehicle was transported by ambulance to the hospital. Alcohol is believed to have been a factor in the crash which is under investigation.