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Update on Homicide in Emerald Hills Neighborhood

San Diego – On Sunday, May 9, 2021, just before 10:30 a.m., members of the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department were in Emerald Hills Neighborhood Park when they were contacted by a male requesting a welfare check on a female in a vehicle at 5600 Bethune Court at the entrance to the park. As they approached the vehicle, the Fire-Rescue Department personnel saw there were apparent bullet holes in the windshield and the female was unresponsive. There were visual signs the female was obviously deceased and they called the San Diego Police Communications Center to report the situation.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene to conduct an investigation. While it remains early in the investigation, we still have little information about the circumstances leading up to the female's death. Detectives have learned that there were gunshots reported in the park the prior night about 11:30 p.m. It is unknown if they are related to the woman's death.

The female has been identified as Tamara Dorena Shellum, 44, of San Diego. She is the registered owner of the vehicle she was found in.

There is no suspect description at this time.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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