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## **Fatal Bicycle Crash Investigation**

*Abilene, Texas* – On Saturday, June 3, 2023, at 5:12 a.m. the Abilene Police Department was called in reference to a crash involving a box truck and a bicyclist on E. Highway 80 near Bandera Park St.

Officers arrived and located a 2019 Freightliner box truck stopped on the side of the road and a bicyclist laying in the roadway. The truck was heading west on E. Highway 80 when it struck the bicyclist, who was in the west bound lane. The bicyclist, 28-year-old Richard Charles Simmons of Abilene, was pronounced deceased at the scene. The driver of the truck was uninjured.

The investigation is ongoing.

Respectfully,

Rick Tomlin  
Public Information Coordinator

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