

Fatal motorcycle accident in Lothian

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Lothian, MD -- A Broomes Island man is dead after an early-morning crash involving a motorcycle and a truck.

Police say that around 5 a.m. this morning, a Dodge truck pulling a box trailer was traveling northbound on Southern Maryland Boulevard approaching Talbot Road.

A motorcycle approached the truck and trailer from behind. The motorcycle attempted to switch lanes and struck the back of trailer and the motorcycle rider lost control. The motorcycle went off the left side of the roadway into the wooded median and struck a tree. The rider was ejected and struck a utility pole.

Christopher Doran Whisman, Jr., of Broomes Island, was pronounced dead at the scene and was transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Baltimore for autopsy. The driver of the Dodge truck was not injured.

Police believe the primary cause of the crash was the rider of the motorcycle making an unsafe lane change. It does not appear that speed was a factor in this crash. Drug and alcohol use are unknown pending toxicology results.

The Traffic Safety Section is handling the crash investigation and the case will be reviewed by the States Attorney.

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