CASE NUMBER:  18-0472
DATE/ TIME OF INCIDENT:  1/23/2018   8:51 am
DATE/TIME OF RELEASE:  1/23/2018   3:45 pm
NATURE OF STORY:  Fatal Logging Accident

DETAILS:

On 1/23/2018 at 8:51 am, the Lane County Sheriff’s Office received a report of a logging fatality approximately 20 miles east of the junction of Hwy 126 West and Hwy 36. Lane County Sheriff’s Deputies responded with Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue to the location. Eugene Mountain Rescue and Lane County Ground Search and Rescue, specialized units of Lane County Search and Rescue, responded with several volunteers to assist with the recovery as the deceased was approximately 200 yards down a steep embankment.

The deceased has been identified as 35 year old Arturo Toral-Pacheco of Springfield. It is very early in the investigation and we are still working to determine the events leading up to the incident; however, initial investigation indicates that Toral-Pacheco likely fell from an elevated position. The Lane County Sheriff’s Office will be conducting the death investigation with the Lane County Medical Examiner’s Office.

Our thoughts go out to Toral-Pacheco’s family and friends after this tragic incident.

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