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Incident: Update to Fatal Car and Train Collision

Abbotsford - November 8, 2014

The investigation into the fatal crash between a passenger vehicle and a train is continuing. Efforts to restore power and to make post train derailment repairs continue as well. Traffic flow in the downtown core of Abbotsford is returning to normal as the previously impacted crossings have now been cleared.

The APD has identified the driver involved in the fatal collision as a 36 year old man from Abbotsford. His name will not be released at this time. We wish to extend condolences to his family and friends.

Initial Release of November 8, 2014 at 5:30 am

This morning at 2:59 am, the Abbotsford Police Department received calls reporting a crash between a passenger vehicle and a train in the 33000 block of Townshipline Road. Upon arrival, emergency crews located the wreckage of a Volkswagon Jetta and a deceased male driver.

A distance to the south of this crash, near Highway 11 and Turner Street, several of the train cars derailed and collided with BC Hydro power poles. This resulted in a power outage in parts of east Abbotsford and some areas in the downtown core.

It is expected that the investigation, the restoration of power and the clearing of the railway tracks will take several hours.

Our Mission:
To make Abbotsford the safest city in B.C.

The Abbotsford Police Department is working with the railway, the cargo carrier, BC Coroners Service, BC Hydro and the BC Safety Authority. More information will be provided as the investigation continues.

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