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Fatal Accident on I-20 Marks Third Pedestrian Struck on Interstate in 2025

On March 1, 2025, at approximately 6:15 AM, Shreveport Police responded to a report of an 18-wheeler striking a pedestrian on I-20 East between West Bert Kouns and Pines Road. The driver was traveling eastbound in the inside lane when the impact occurred. Upon realizing he had struck an object, the driver pulled over onto the shoulder and parked.

Officers canvassed the area and located an unconscious male who was not breathing. Shreveport Fire Department personnel arrived on the scene; however, due to the severity of the victim's injuries, the Caddo Parish Coroner's Office was contacted.

While impairment is not suspected, toxicology samples were collected and will be submitted for analysis. The preliminary investigation revealed that the 18-wheeler driver was traveling in the inside lane when a pedestrian stepped into the path of the truck while traveling on the roadway.

This tragic incident marks the third pedestrian struck on Shreveport interstates in 2025. It is important to emphasize that interstates are designed exclusively for vehicular travel. Pedestrians and bicycles are not permitted on the interstate for safety reasons. A person struck by a vehicle traveling at interstate speeds has little to no chance of survival.

The Shreveport Police Department urges all citizens to avoid walking along or crossing interstates and to use designated pedestrian crossings and sidewalks whenever possible.

For further information, please contact the Shreveport Police Department Public Information Office at (318) 673-7300.