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News Release

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Fatality Lake Accident Investigation Update

On Saturday, September 22, 2012, Springfield Police Officers responded to the 2700 block of S. Skyline in reference to a report of a submerged vehicle. When SPD officers arrived on scene, it was discovered that a Jeep Cherokee S.U.V. had left the roadway, and crashed into a body of water.

The driver of the vehicle, identified as Josephine Luther (75 yoa w/f) had been removed from the submerged vehicle by members of Springfield Fire Department's water rescue team. She was pronounced dead at the scene.

Luther's death is not considered suspicious, but the investigation into the cause of the crash is still being conducted. The next of kin have been notified.

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