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SHOOTING LEAVES ONE DEAD – MOSES LAKE AREA

MOSES LAKE, Wash. (01SEPT2011) — A Wednesday night shooting near Moses Lake has left one man dead.

Around 9:15 p.m. on August 31, Grant County Sheriff's Deputies answered a call for a disturbance at 9027-B McConnell Drive in the Larson Housing Area northwest of the City of Moses Lake.

Arriving Deputies found a man on the ground outside with an apparent gunshot wound to the chest. The man stopped breathing and Deputies started CPR. The man was transported by AMR ambulance with Fire District 5 firefighters aboard to help continue care. The man died shortly after arrival at Samaritan Hospital in Moses Lake.

It is still very early in this investigation, and many facts are not yet known. Detectives are interviewing a person involved in this shooting, and that person is cooperating with the investigation. That person has not been arrested or named as a suspect in this case. The investigation continues.

The identity of the victim is being withheld pending notification of next-of-kin. Please contact Coroner Craig Morrison for that specific information, 509-765-7601, cmorrison@co.grant.wa.us.

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02SEPT11 ADDENDUM: Grant County Coroner Craig Morrison today identified the deceased as Michael Vincent Elliott, a 39 year old male from Moses Lake, Washington. Following the autopsy and death investigation, the cause of death is gunshot wounds of torso. The manner of death is homicide.