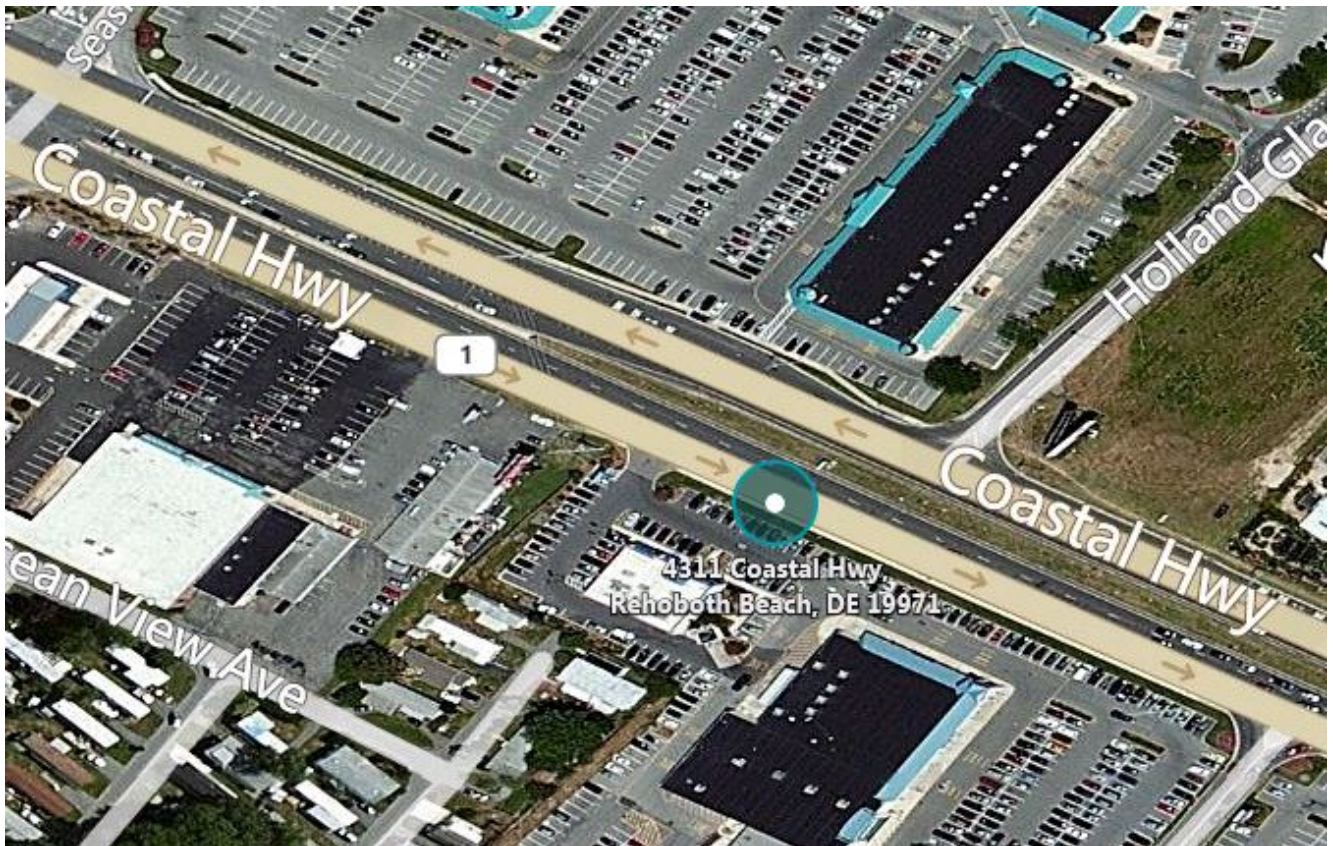


****Traffic Advisory** Troopers Investigating Serious Crash Involving Pedestrian- Rehoboth Beach- Update**



Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale

Rehoboth Beach– The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing to investigate a serious motor vehicle crash in which a pedestrian was struck that occurred early this afternoon north of Rehoboth.

The initial investigation has determined that the crash happened at approximately 12:03 p.m. today, Friday, February 17, 2017, as Brock A. Charles, 32, of Lewes, DE, was attempting to walk in an eastbound direction across the

southbound lanes of SR 1 (Coastal Highway), approximately .2 miles north of Shuttle Road. As Charles, who was not utilizing a marked crosswalk, stepped into the right hand lane of SR 1, he was struck by a 2016 Freightliner Tractor pulling a 2013 Great Dane trailer, which was being operated by Michael Jock, 58, of Newark, DE. Charles was thrown in a southbound direction and came to rest in the right hand lane of travel. Michael Jock was able to bring his vehicle to a controlled stop just south of the crash scene.

Brock Charles was treated at the scene by Sussex County Paramedics. He was then transported to Beebe Healthcare where he was stabilized before being transported to the Christiana Hospital and admitted with serious injuries. It is unknown if alcohol or drug use on the part of Charles was a factor in this crash.

Michael Jock, who was properly restrained at the time of the crash, was not injured. Alcohol or drug use on the part of Jock is not being considered as a factor in the crash.

Southbound Coastal Highway traffic was restricted to one lane for approximately 3 hours as the crash was investigated and cleared.

This crash remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police.

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