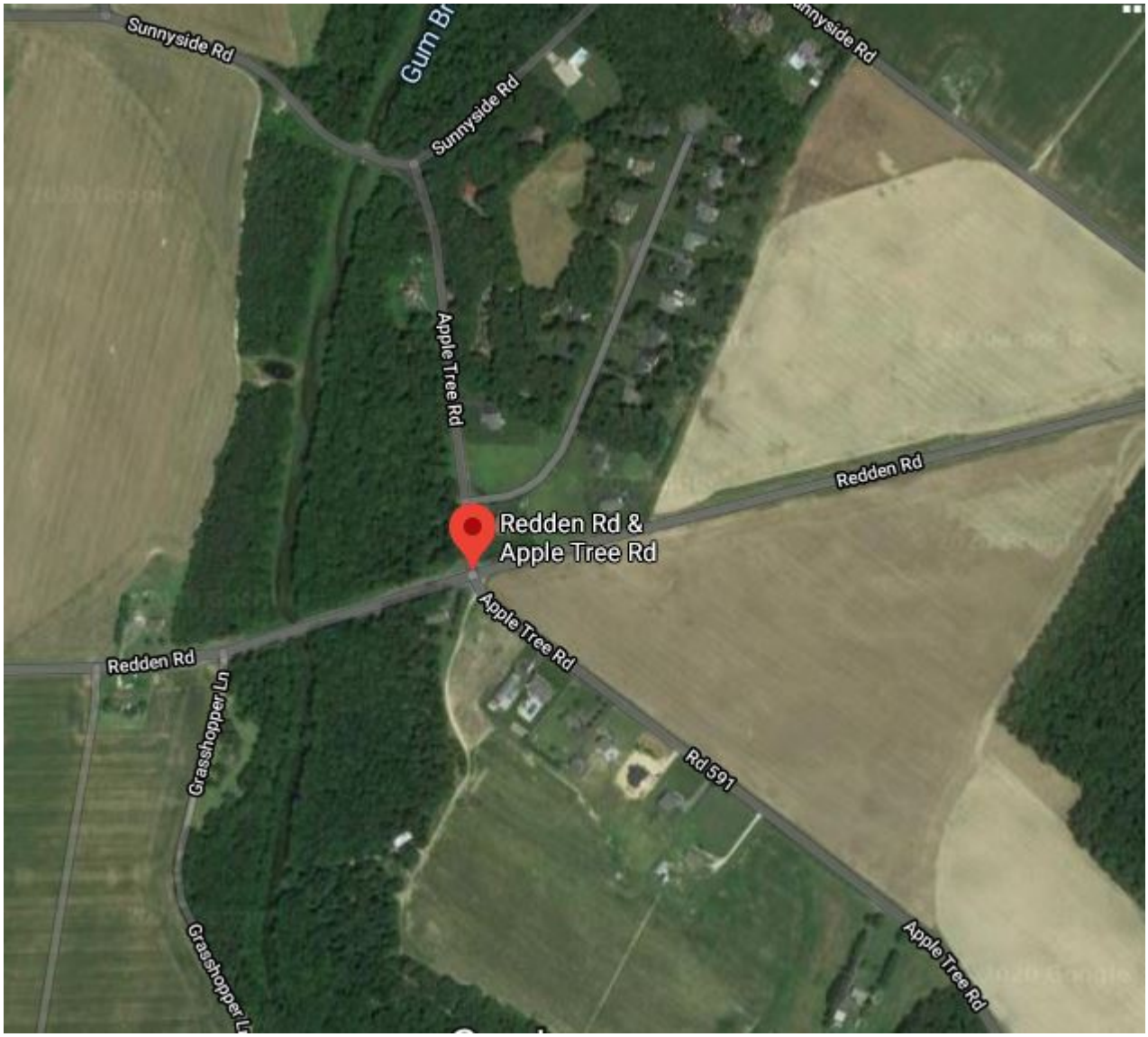
Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash – Bridgeville



Bridgeville, Delaware – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a two-vehicle fatal crash that was reported earlier today east of Bridgeville.

The incident was reported on Monday, February 17, 2020, at approximately 9:33 a.m., as a 2012 Volkswagen Jetta, operated by a 67-year-old female of Seaford, was traveling northbound on Apple Tree Road and stopped at the posted stop sign. A 2006 Ford, E250 Econoline Van, operated by a 62-year-old male of Elkridge, Maryland, was traveling eastbound on Redden Road, SR

40 approaching the intersection of Apple Tree Road. Redden Road is a through-way and traffic is not required to stop. For unknown reasons, the Volkswagen Jetta failed to remain stopped and entered the intersection directly into the path of the Ford E250 Econoline Van. The operator of the van was unable to avoid the collision and the front of his vehicle impacted the left side of the Jetta within the intersection. After impact, the Jetta was forced off the northeast corner of the intersection where it came to rest, upright facing in a northerly direction. The van was also forced off the northeast corner of the intersection where it came to rest with its right side partially resting on top of the Jetta, facing in a northerly direction.

The operator of the Jetta, 67-year-old female of Seaford, Delaware was not properly restrained and was transported by EMS ambulance to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital in Seaford where she was pronounced dead. Her name is being withheld pending the notification of next of kin.

The operator of the van, 62-year-old male of Elkridge, Maryland was properly restrained and was transported to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital by EMS ambulance where he was treated and released with minor injuries.

The passenger in the van was not properly restrained and was transported by EMS ambulance to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital where he was treated with minor injuries and released.

The intersection of Redden Road and Apple Tree Road was closed for approximately three hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

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The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit. Please

call the Collision Reconstruction Unit at Troop 7, Lewes at 644-5020 for any information about this crash.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov

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