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**Victim Identified In Grantville Homicide**

San Diego – On May 21, 2019, at approximately 2:52 a.m., the San Diego Police Department began receiving 9-1-1 calls regarding possible gunshots in the area of 6200 Holabird Street. Patrol officers arrived on scene within two minutes and found a male down in the street, suffering from at least one apparent gunshot wound. San Diego Fire-Rescue personnel also responded however, the victim was unfortunately beyond help and was pronounced deceased at the scene at 3:08 a.m.

Homicide investigators were called to the scene and are handling the investigation. A person of interest was detained nearby by patrol officers. That person was interviewed by investigators, and later released pending further investigation. The investigation of the circumstances surrounding the homicide continues.

The victim has been identified as 35 year-old Mario Bullard, of San Diego.

The suspect has been described as a white male, unknown age, approximately 5'6" tall. He was described as wearing a black hooded sweatshirt with a white logo on the front, black pants, and was last seen wearing a backpack. The suspect was last seen running westbound on Vandever Avenue towards Mission Gorge Road.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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