

Crash Analysis Studio

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Today's Panelists

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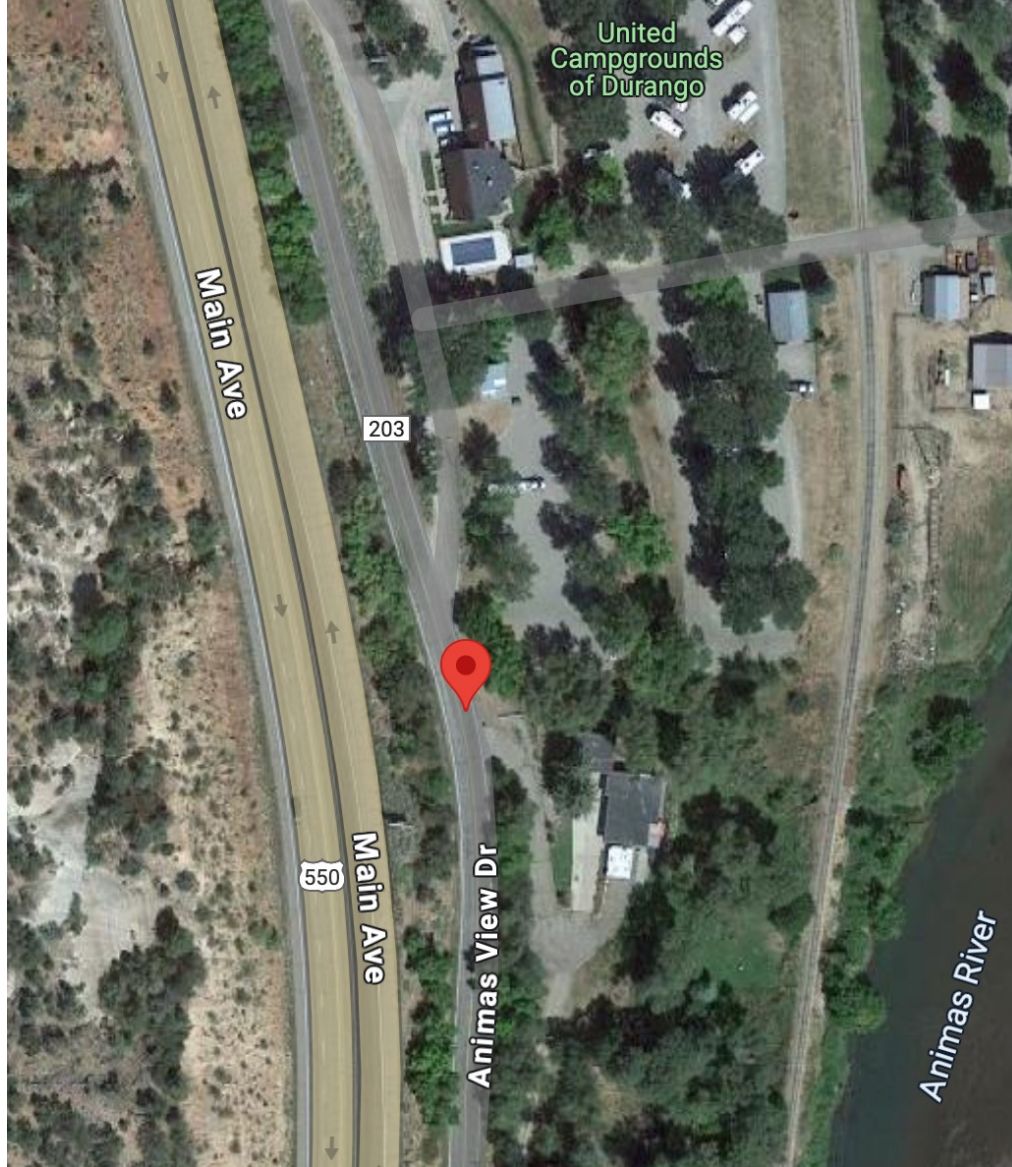
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Crash Information

- 27-year-old Katie Marie Siegrist was walking northbound along Animas View Drive
- 66-year-old Olivia Marie Burkhart was driving north in a 1987 Jeep Wrangler when she collided with Katie
 - Burkhart stated she didn't see Siegrist until the last second
- The crash occurred at 7:46 p.m. on September 14, 2023
- The police stated that it was raining at the time of the collision
 - Crash report notes this segment of Animas View is not well-lit and was wet at the time of the crash

Crash Information

- Siegrist was first transported to St. Mary's Medical Center in Grand Junction while she was in critical condition
 - She died at a hospital in Grand Junction five days later on the 19th
- Media coverage implies that Burkhart was cooperative
- The Commander indicated the following:
 - Neither drugs nor alcohol were considered contributing factors in this crash
 - Charges were not filed
 - Siegrist was wearing dark clothing with no flashlight or reflective material





Additional Details

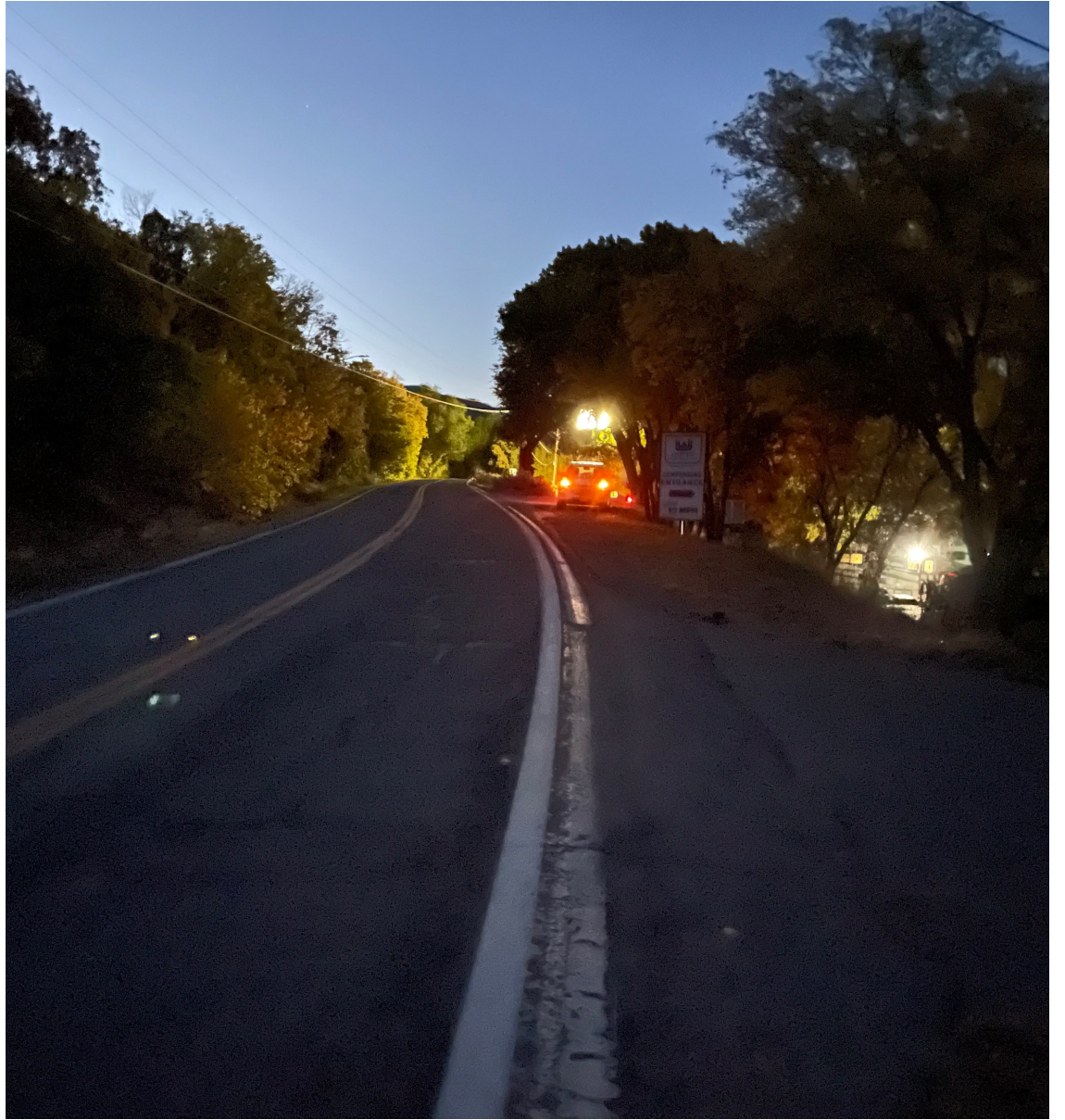
- The speed limit on this portion of Animas View Drive is 25 mph
- Average daily traffic volume of 500 vehicles
- The segment of Animas View Drive where the crash took place is unsignalized and doesn't feature crosswalks

Overall Site Conditions

- Animas View Drive has one northbound and one southbound lane
- The speed limit was reduced from 35 mph to 25 mph in 2021
- South end and north end both feature dense residential, with the campground being located to the south end
- Changes have been started to make this area safer - we'll review these later in the presentation



Approximate Crash Location



Collision Location at Night



**Brush alongside SB Lane
Just West of Collision Location**



**Grassy Area
Just North of Collision Location**