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The train began moving again after nearly four hours.

## Man killed in Brookfield train vs. vehicle crash

BROOKFIELD — A man was killed when an Amtrak train struck his vehicle on Thursday evening, according to a press release from the Brookfield Police Department.

Amtrak reported no deaths or injuries to the 183 passengers or crew aboard the train.

Brookfield Police and EMS responded to the area of Brookfield Road where it crosses the train tracks near River Road at around 5 p.m. Thursday evening.

Amtrak Train 7 was traveling from Chicago to Seattle when a vehicle that was obstructing the

track “came into contact with the train,” according to a statement from Amtrak.

A preliminary investigation by Brookfield police revealed that a westbound Amtrak train struck a vehicle that had driven around the railroad crossing gates. The driver, a man in his 60s, was fatally injured.

According to an Amtrak Twitter account, the train began moving again shortly after 9 p.m., after being stopped for about 3 hours and 50 minutes.

If you witnessed this incident or have any information about it,

please contact Captain Chris Garcia at the Brookfield Police Department at 262-787-3702.

The Brookfield Fire Department, New Berlin Police Department, Wisconsin State Patrol, Canadian Pacific Rail Police and Amtrak Police assisted the Brookfield Police Department with this investigation.

In February 2019, a 70-year-old man was killed in a collision with an Amtrak train at the same crossing. The man was crossing the tracks when the barricade arms were down and warning lights were flashing.