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Motorcyclist dies after accident

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Phillip J. Puzo, 26, of Millbury, died yesterday after the motorcycle he was driving went off the road on Wachusett Street and hit an embankment. He was thrown from the motorcycle and collided with a tree, police said.

Puzo was transported by Holden Ambulance to UMass trauma center, where he was pronounced dead.

Police said he was wearing a helmet, and was traveling with a friend, also on a motorcycle, who witnessed the accident.

The accident occurred around 3:47 p.m. when a witness says Puzo applied the brakes while entering a turn and may have skidded on sand near the intersection of Bullard and Wachusett streets near Unionville Pond.



Police are investigating whether speed may have been a factor in the crash. Holden Officer Adam Porcaro said the road is narrow and winding and any exceeding of the speed limit could cause an accident. He said sand in the road was definitely a factor in the crash.

Puzo was an aviation specialist in the United States Navy and a 2002 graduate of Millbury High School and a 2001 graduate of Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical School. He was stationed in Lemoore, California. The motorcycle Puzo was driving was registered in California

investigating.

Porcaro and Officer Gregg Sculthorpe are

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