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## NEWS RELEASE

**Incident Date and Time:** Sunday, April 22, 2019 at 4 PM  
**Location:** Pacific Ocean, South Bunker, Devil's Slide Montara  
**Type of Crime/Incident:** Hang Glider Accident

### Summary:

At approximately 4:01 PM, witnesses reported a hang glider that appeared to be in distress over the ocean north of Gray Whale Cove in the Devil's Slide area of Highway 1 in unincorporated San Mateo County. According to witnesses, the hang glider landed in the ocean, unhooked himself from the glider, but was unable to make it ashore due to the heavy surf and cliffs. A CHP helicopter, US Coast Guard, and the San Mateo County Harbor master arrived on scene but had a hard time locating the victim.

At approximately 5:09 PM, a US Coast Guard helicopter located the victim in the water approximately 1/8 of a mile south of where he landed in the water. He was unconscious and not breathing. The victim was pulled from the water and brought to awaiting paramedics where they immediately began CPR. Ultimately, the attempts to resuscitate the victim were unsuccessful and he was pronounced deceased at 5:29 PM.

San Mateo County Coroner's Office will release the name of the victim when appropriate.

Anyone with information is encouraged to call San Mateo County Sheriff's Office at 650-726-8288, or you may remain anonymous and use the anonymous tip line 1-800-547-2700.

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