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WESTMORELAND COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE
Public Information Release Report

Nature of Release: Train/Pedestrian Suicide	Date and Time of Incident: January 24, 2013 5:58 PM
Incident Location: Norfolk Southern Railway, Main Track, Mile Post 308.50 Derry Township	
Person(s) Involved: **Decedent**: **Donald B. McCreery, Jr.**, 39 y/o male. Home Address: Pittsburgh Street New Derry, PA 15671 Derry Township Date and Time of Death: January 24, 2013 at 6:54 PM.	

Incident Details: **Cause of Death: A. Blunt Force Injuries to the Head**
B. Struck by Train

Manner of Death: Suicide

- A Norfolk Southern train traveling westbound struck the decedent at the above incident location.
- The train sounded its horn and engaged the emergency braking system upon seeing the decedent on the tracks.
- The train came to a rest approximately 1/2 of a mile following the impact.
- Through witness statements the decedent placed himself on the railroad tracks to intentionally be struck by the train.
- Deputy Coroner Joshua C. Zappone investigated the incident and pronounced the decedent dead at the scene.
- An autopsy will not be performed.
- Toxicology test results will not be available for several weeks.
- Merlin Funeral Home of Derry, PA will be handling funeral arrangements.
- The Pennsylvania State Police Greensburg Barracks and Norfolk Southern Police are investigating the incident and will release additional details at their discretion.

*********No further information is available from this office at this time.**********