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INCIDENT: Backyard Tunnel Collapses Killing Man

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Police responding to a medical assist in the 1700 block of East Yale Street, find the resident deceased.

At approximately 5:50pm, police received a call from a resident about a man trapped in a tunnel he was digging.

The 65-year-old Ontario resident was apparently digging for rocks in his own backyard. A resident at the same house was watching him for a while but then left. When they returned to the backyard they saw that the tunnel had collapsed. They hurried over to help rescue the man but when they got to him, he was already dead.

The Coroner's Office was notified. The man's name is not being released at this time.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Ontario Police Department at (909) 986-6711.

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