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Former Westminster City Manager Killed in Laguna Canyon Bicycle Accident

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A former Westminster police chief and city manager has been killed after being hit by a Toyota Corolla on the southbound 133 highway, according to a [news report](#).

The California Highway Patrol said that James Mitchell Waller, 53, of Mission Viejo, was one of two bicyclists traveling south on 133 highway just outside the Laguna Beach city limits who were hit by the driver of a Toyota Corolla. Waller died at the scene; the second bicyclist – Kevin Beach, a longtime Westminster city employee who currently works as a garage superintendent – is in serious but stable condition.

Waller joined the Westminster Police Department in 1984 and was named chief in 2009. He was named to the position of city manager in early 2011 and retired last July.

Investigators said the Toyota driver stayed at the scene following the fatal accident; an investigation is ongoing.

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