

Man sets self on fire at Ford Canyon Park

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A man, whose name hasn't been released pending notification of next of kin, died en route to a local hospital from severe burns.

Gallup Police Department officers arrived on scene around midnight after receiving a call about a tree possibly being on fire. But, when officers arrived, they found a man suffering from severe injuries and a can of accelerant, likely gas, in the area.

"... It's pretty disturbing," GPD Capt. Marinda Spencer said.

There doesn't appear to be any foul play involved in the incident, based on a preliminary investigation of the scene.