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Highland Twp. man hit by SUV is in critical condition

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A Highland Township man is in critical condition after he was hit by an SUV as he tried to cross Highland Road Sunday night.

Deputies from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office said the 47-year-old man tried to cross Highland Road just west of Duck Lake Road at about 7 p.m. There was no crosswalk in the area.

Witnesses told deputies that the man appeared to pause in the middle of the road and then ran or walked into the path of a 2002 Ford Explorer. The driver of the Explorer, a 56-year-old Holly resident, tried to avoid hitting the man but could not.

The Highland Township man was taken to Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak where he is listed in critical condition.

Deputies say alcohol use by the pedestrian may have been a factor in the crash.

The man's name has not been released.

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