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Ontario Police Department is investigating a reported road rage incident that escalated into a shooting.

Preliminary information indicates that two vehicles were involved in a confrontation while traveling south bound on Lexington Springmill Road in the area of U.S. 30 on the roadway. One driver reportedly exited his vehicle, and confronted the other driver.

The individual who exited the vehicle has been identified as **Andrew Westlund, a 42-year-old white male**. Investigators were advised that Mr. Westlund approached the second vehicle where a confrontation ensued.

The driver of the second vehicle, identified as **Wesley Patrick, a 27-year-old white male**, reported that he rolled down his window and fired one round, striking Mr. Westlund.

Andrew Westlund was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

The Ontario Police Department was assisted by the Richland County Prosecutors Office on scene. Wesley Patrick was taken into custody and charged with Voluntary Manslaughter.

Also assisting in the investigation were Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. The Ohio State Highway Patrol, Richland County Sheriffs Department, Springfield Twp. Fire Department, Ontario Street Department and the Ohio Department of Transportation assisting in closing roadways for scene security.

This incident remains under active investigation, and no further details are being released at this time. Anyone with information related to this incident is encouraged to contact law enforcement.