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U.S. Border Patrol agents from the Laredo Sector encountered a vehicle that failed to yield on Highway 83 south of Rio Bravo, Texas, **Friday at 4:02 p.m. EDT (x-apple-data-detectors://3/)**. Agents deployed a controlled tire deflation device, and as a result, the driver of the silver GMC pickup truck stopped the vehicle. Multiple subjects then bailed out of the vehicle and into the surrounding brush. Agents apprehended 11 individuals who attempted to flee, including the driver who is a juvenile, U.S. citizen. Additionally, agents encountered an individual in the cab of the truck who was unresponsive. Agents immediately attempted to resuscitate the individual and continued life-saving efforts until emergency medical services arrived. EMS transported the individual to a hospital nearby where he remained in critical condition. Laredo Sector notified Homeland Security Investigations and CBP's Office of Professional Responsibility, and referred the incident to the State Attorney's Office. The driver is in the custody of the Webb County authorities. Despite Border Patrol agents', EMTs' and hospital staff's best efforts to save this individual's life, he died at approximately **10:35 a.m., EDT (x-apple-data-detectors://4/)**.

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