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## Williams County Fatal Crash - Update

**What:** Fatal Crash

**Where:** US Hwy 2 MM 56, 2 miles east of Ray

**When:** March 12, 2020 2:40 AM

**Road Conditions:** Normal

**Weather Conditions:** Clear

**Crash Involvement:** Vehicle/Vehicle

**Type of Crash:** Rear-end

**Agencies Involved:** NDHP, Williams County Sheriff's Office, Ray Fire & Ambulance

**Vehicle No. 1:** 1996 Mazda pickup

**Driver No. 1:** Dustin Laubach, male, 37, Jershey Shore, PA, Fatal

**Restraints:** Seat belt use unknown at this time, airbag deployed

**Charges:** None

**Vehicle No. 2:** 2005 Kenworth semi pulling a tanker trailer

**Driver No. 2:** Coby Ellis, male, 29, American Falls, ID, not injured

**Restraints:** Seat belt used

**Charges:** None

**NARRATIVE:** The Kenworth was traveling eastbound on Hwy 2 and was slowing down to make a left-hand turn. The Mazda was traveling eastbound on Hwy 2 behind the Kenworth. The Mazda struck the rear of the tanker trailer being pulled by the Kenworth. The Mazda rolled onto its passenger side and slid onto the south shoulder of the highway. The driver of the Mazda, Dustin Laubach, sustained serious injuries during the crash and was transported by ambulance to the Tioga Medical Center. Laubach was later flown by air ambulance to Trinity

hospital in Minot. **Laubach died at Trinity Hospital on 3/13/2020.** The driver of the Kenworth, Coby Ellis, was not injured.

This crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

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