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Ward County Fatal Crash

What: Fatal Crash

Where: Hwy 52 MM 109, one mile west of Sawyer

When: October 5, 2020 at about 9:10 PM

Road Conditions: Good

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Motorcycle/Deer/Vehicle

Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol, Ward County Sheriff's Office

Vehicle No. 1: 1994 Harley Davidson motorcycle
Operator No. 1: Male, 70, Minot, ND, fatal injuries
Restraints: None
Charges: N/A

Vehicle No. 2: 2013 Nissan Altima
Operator No. 2: Alexander Maldonado, male, 21, Dallas, TX, not injured
Restraints: In use
Charges: None

Vehicle No. 3: 2010 Ford Edge
Operator No. 3: Becky Schweitzer, female, 33, Velva, ND, not injured
Restraints: In use
Charges: None

NARRATIVE: The Harley Davidson was traveling west on Hwy 52 when it struck a deer. The rider was thrown from the motorcycle and landed in the eastbound lane. The rider was struck by the Nissan and then the Ford, which were both traveling east on Hwy 52. The rider sustained fatal injuries and was pronounced deceased on scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

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