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## **Pedestrian/CMV Fatality Crash**

**What:** Fatality Crash

**Where:** Highway 83 mm 107 (5 miles south of Wilton, ND)

**When:** 07/03/2021 at 1:52 am

**Road Conditions:** Dry

**Weather Conditions:** Dark, clear

**Agencies Involved:** North Dakota Highway Patrol, Burleigh County Sheriff's Department, Wilton Fire Department and Wilton Ambulance

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2005 Peterbilt pulling an empty tanker trailer

**Driver No. 1:** Neil Janz, male, 47, Velva, ND, Not Injured

**Restraints:** Seat belt worn

**Charges:** Under Investigation

**Pedestrian:** Sandra Finley, female, 35, Mandaree, ND

**Injury:** Fatal Injuries

**NARRATIVE:** Neil Janz was traveling southbound on Hwy 83 from Velva to Mandan. Sandra Finley was walking along Hwy 83 in the left southbound lane from Wilton to Bismarck. Janz was traveling in the left lane in the process of passing another semi. Neil Janz was not able to avoid Sandra Finley and she was struck by the semi and came to rest on the left shoulder. Neil Janz's pulled his vehicle over to the shoulder after the crash.

Sandra Finley was initially transported to CHI St. Alexius-Bismarck and was then transferred to Sanford-Fargo where she died from injuries sustained in the crash.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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