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 Fatal crash in North Fargo

What: Fatality

Where: 3300 block of 7th Ave N

When: 04-23-2022 at approximately 0100

Road Conditions: Wet

Weather Conditions: Raining

Crash Involvement: Vehicle

Type of Crash: Non-Collision, vehicle left roadway

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Fargo PD, Fargo Fire, FM ambulance, FM towing

Vehicle No. 1: 2017 Subaru Forester
Driver No. 1: Male, 31 of Fargo, ND (Fatal)
Restraints: front airbag deployment, no seatbelts used
Charges: no charges were filed

NARRATIVE:
On April 23rd, 2022, at approximately 9:30 AM the NDHP was requested by the Fargo Police Department to assist with a crash that had occurred on the 3300 block of 7th Ave N in the city of Fargo. A Subaru Forester had been observed partially submerged in the drainage ditch north of this location.

The Fargo Police Department along with the Fargo Fire Department and FM ambulance initially responded and observed a male driver and only occupant of the vehicle unresponsive in the driver’s seat of the vehicle. The driver was extricated from the vehicle. Lifesaving efforts were attempted but the driver died as a result of injuries sustained in the crash.

The NDHP determined prior to the crash the Forester had been traveling eastbound on 7th Ave N at a fast rate of speed. At approximately 1:00 AM the Forester left the east roadway and
entered the north ditch along Goodwill. A city of Fargo utility light pole was struck. The Forester continued down the ditch embankment and became airborne and vaulted over a concrete drainage ditch, colliding with the opposite side of the concrete ditch. Significant damage was sustained to the front end of the Forester including front airbag deployment. The Forester then entered the drainage ditch, which was full of water, and floated a short way north from the initial location of the crash. The driver was not wearing his seatbelt at the time of the crash.

This crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

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