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Ward County Fatality Crash

What: Fatality

Where: Highway 52 near mile marker 79 (11 miles South of Carpio, ND)

When: February 4th, 2022, at approximately 03:20PM CST

Road Conditions: Dry, clear

Weather Conditions: Cloudy

Crash Involvement: Semi vs SUV

Type of Crash: Head on Collision

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Ward County Sheriff's Office, Burlington Fire and Rescue, Burlington Police Department, Trinity Community Ambulance

Vehicle No. 1: 1995 Nissan Pathfinder
Driver No. 1: Male, 79 years old, Berthold, ND – Fatal
Restraints: Unknown

Vehicle No. 2: 2009 Ford Escape
Driver No. 2: Male, 84 years old, Donnybrook, ND – Uninjured
Restraints: Unknown

Vehicle No. 3: 2019 Volvo Truck Tractor hauling a loaded cattle trailer
Driver No. 3: Male, 63 years old, Burdett, Alberta, Canada – minor injuries
Restraints: Seatbelt in use

NARRATIVE:

The Nissan Pathfinder was traveling northbound on Highway 52 near mile marker 79. The Nissan left its lane, sideswiped a Ford Escape that was traveling southbound. The Nissan corrected, left its lane again, and struck an oncoming Volvo hauling cattle head on in the southbound lane. The Nissan came to rest on the west shoulder and caught on fire. The Volvo

came to rest partially in the west ditch and blocking the southbound lane of travel. The driver of the Nissan was pronounced deceased on scene.

The portion of Highway 52 is temporarily closed.

The Crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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