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## **Stutsman County Fatal Bicycle Crash**

**What:** Single vehicle motorcycle injury crash

**Where:** Highway 20 mile-marker 10.5 – 10 miles north of Jamestown, ND

**When:** June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 12:36 PM.

**Road Conditions:** Normal

**Weather Conditions:** Seasonal normal

**Crash Involvement:** Vehicle/Bicycle

**Type of Crash:** Rear End Collision

**Agencies Involved:** North Dakota Highway Patrol, Stutsman County Sheriff's Department, North Dakota Game & Fish Department, Jamestown Ambulance

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2016 Chevrolet Silverado

**Driver No. 1:** James Charles Lees, 78-year-old male, Jamestown, ND, not injured.

**Restraints:** No airbags, Not belted

**Charges:** Under Investigation

**Vehicle No. 2:** Canyon Road Bike

**Driver No. 1:** To be released, 20-year-old male, North Brook, IL, fatal.

**Restraints:** Helmet Worn

**Charges:** N/A

**NARRATIVE:** The bicycle was south bound on State Highway 20 near mile marker 10.5. The Silverado, driven by James Lees, was also southbound and came upon the bicycle on the roadway. The Silverado failed to yield to the bicycle and struck the rear tire.

The bicycle and rider were pushed into the west ditch where they came to rest. Lees left the scene but came and located the cyclist. The cyclist was declared deceased at the scene after emergency personnel arrived. Lees was uninjured.

The name of the deceased cyclist will be released on 06/20/2022. The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

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