

NEWS RELEASE | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | January 2, 2023

Vehicle/Pedestrian Fatal Crash

What: Fatality Crash

Where: I-29 South mm 51, near Hickson/Oxbow

When: 1-1-2023 at 05:47 AM

Road Conditions: Dry/Asphalt

Weather Conditions: Dark, Clear

Crash Involvement: Vehicle vs Pedestrian

Type of Crash: Fatal

Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol, Cass County Sheriff's Office, Sanford Ambulance, Cass County Coroner's Office

Vehicle No. 1: 2014 Chevrolet Malibu

Driver No. 1: Gabriel Schroeder, 20-year-old male, Wahpeton, ND, not injured

Restraints: seatbelt

Charges: No charges were filed

Passenger No. 1: Ashanti Ashpole, 20-year-old female, Wahpeton, ND not injured

Restraints: seatbelt

Pedestrian: Destinee Tuttle, Santee, NE, 19-year-old female

Injury: Fatal

NARRATIVE:

A Chevrolet Malibu was traveling south on I-29 in the left lane of the two southbound lanes. The 20-year-old male driver observed a pedestrian standing in the left lane. The driver braked and steered left, but struck the pedestrian. The Chevrolet entered the median and became stuck in the snow.

After being struck by the Chevrolet, the pedestrian was thrown and came to rest across the right lane and outside shoulder. The pedestrian was pronounced dead on scene. The driver and passenger in the Chevrolet were not injured.

The I-29 south bound lanes from mm 54 to 50 were closed for approximately three hours due to the fatal crash.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol

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