

NEWS RELEASE | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | May 30, 2023

Divide County Fatality Crash

What: Fatal

Where: Intersection of Hwy 5 and Hwy 85 approximately 6 miles east of Fortuna, ND

When: May 28, 2023, at approximately 04:18 PM CST

Road Conditions: Good, Dry

Weather Conditions: Cloudy

Crash Involvement: Pickup vs Motorcycle

Type of Crash: Angle

Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol, Divide County Sheriff's Office, Williams County Emergency Management, Crosby Ambulance, Fortuna Fire Department.

Vehicle No. 1: 2022 Ford F150

Driver No. 1: Brett Engen, 25 year old, Male, Williston, ND - Uninjured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Charges: Pending

Vehicle No. 2: 2016 Indian Motorcycle

Driver No. 2: Darrel Tessier, 42 year old, Male, Estevan, SK, Canada – Serious injuries

Restraints: Helmet in use

Passenger No. 1: Leigh-Ann Tessier, 43 year old, female, Estevan, SK, Canada – Fatal

Restraints: Helmet in Use

NARRATIVE:

The Ford F150 was traveling south on Divide County Road 2. The Motorcycle was traveling east on Hwy 5. The F150 failed to yield to the Motorcycle. The F150 struck the Motorcycle. The driver of the Ford was not injured in the crash. The driver and passenger of the motorcycle were thrown from the motorcycle. Both the driver and passenger sustained serious injuries.

They were transported by ambulance to St. Luke's in Crosby. They were transferred to Trinity Health in Minot. The female passenger succumbed to her injuries sustained in the crash.

The crash remains under the investigation of the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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