

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE September 14, 2023

Vehicle vs Pedestrian Fatal Crash-Update

What: Fatality Crash

Where: Fargo, intersection of 13th Ave S and 32nd St. S./West Trac Dr. S.

When: 9-13-2023 5:50 AM Central

Road Conditions: Good, Dry

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Vehicle/Pedestrian

Agencies Involved: Fargo Fire, Sanford Ambulance, Cass County Coroner's Office, Fargo

Police Department, North Dakota Highway Patrol

Vehicle No. 1: 2008 Chevrolet Silverado

Driver No. 1: Abun Gofor, 63, male, Fargo, not injured

Restraints: Seatbelt, no air bag deployment

Charges: Under Investigation

Pedestrian: Deborah Hopper, 68, female, Fargo

Injury: Fatal

NARRATIVE: At approximately 5:50 AM a pedestrian was crossing the west bound lanes of 13th Ave S., when she was struck by a 2008 Chevrolet Silverado. The Silverado was west bound on 13th Ave S. in the middle lane of three lanes. The pedestrian was in/near the marked crosswalk on the east side of the intersection when she was struck. It's currently unknown which direction the pedestrian was walking. The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

As of 08:40 the intersection is still closed as we reconstruct the crash scene. We hope to have the intersection open by 10:00 AM.

The intersection is now open, and traffic can proceed through.



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