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August 3, 2025

Ward County Fatality Crash UPDATE

What: Fatality

Where: U.S. Highway 83 Bypass, Overpass at 4th AVE NW (mile 921)

When: August 2, 2025; 2:57 a.m. CST

Road Conditions: Good

Weather Conditions: Good / Night

Crash Involvement: Vehicle

Type of Crash: Fixed Object/Rollover

Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol, Minot Fire Department, Minot PD, Ward

County Sheriff's Office, and Trinity First Response

Vehicle No. 1: 2021 Tesla Model Y

Driver No. 1: Seth Parana, 21, Minot; Fatality

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

NARRATIVE: On August 2, 2025, at approximately 2:57 a.m., a 2021 Tesla Model Y driven by Seth Parana, was traveling northbound on the US Highway 83 Bypass near the 4th Avenue NW overpass in Minot. The vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed, left the roadway, and crashed. Parana was wearing a seatbelt and sustained fatal injuries.

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

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