

**NEWS RELEASE** | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | June 13, 2025

**CASS COUNTY FATAL CRASH UPDATE**

**What:** Two Vehicle Fatal Crash

**Where:** Highway 18, MM 93 at the intersection of Cass County Road 26

**When:** Wednesday, June 11, 8:25 PM

**Road Conditions:** Good

**Weather Conditions:** Good

**Crash Involvement:** Cement truck and Kenworth pulling a loaded trailer

**Type of Crash:** Angle

**Agencies Involved:** NDHP, Cass County Sheriff's Office, Sanford Ambulance-Fargo, Hunter Ambulance Service, Arthur Volunteer Fire Department, Hunter Volunteer Fire Department, Grandin-Gardner Fire Department.

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2026 Western Star cement truck (empty)

**Driver No. 1:** Eric Comer Jr., 34, Ft. Myers, FL.; fatal injuries

**Restraints:** Seatbelt not in use

**Charges:** Under investigation

**Vehicle No. 2:** 2023 Kenworth pulling a 2015 Trinity live bottom trailer (loaded with potatoes)

**Driver No. 1:** Lyle Fuglestad, 78, Minto; non, life-threatening injuries

**Restraints:** Seatbelt in use

**Charges:** Under investigation

**NARRATIVE:** On Wednesday, June 11 at approximately 8:25 PM, a 2026 Western Star cement truck driven by Eric Comer, Jr., was traveling west on Cass County Road 26, Comer failed to yield at the intersection of Cass County Road 26 and Highway 18. A 2023 Kenworth towing a 2015 Trinity live bottom trailer, driven by Lyle Fuglestad, was traveling north and struck the Western Star truck. The trailer became detached, and produce was spilled into the

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west ditch. Comer died at the scene. Fuglestad was transported to Sanford Health. The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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