

**NEWS RELEASE** | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | October 15, 2019

## **Morton County Fatal Crash ~5 miles W of New Salem, ND**

**What:** Fatal Crash

**Where:** Morton County Road 139 approximately 5 miles west of New Salem

**When:** October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at approximately 11:20 AM

**Road Conditions:** Dry Gravel Road

**Weather Conditions:** Cloudy

**Crash Involvement:** Single Vehicle

**Type of Crash:** Rollover

**Agencies Involved:** Morton County Sheriff's Department, New Salem Ambulance, New Salem Fire Department, Almont Ambulance, Metro Ambulance and Sanford AirMed

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2000 Ford Explorer

**Driver No. 1:** 26-year-old male -- Dickinson, ND -- Fatal

**Restraints:** Seatbelt and Airbag

**Passenger No. 1:** 26-year-old female -- Dickinson, ND -- non-life-threatening injuries

**Restraints:** Not restrained

**Passenger No. 2:** 6-year-old male -- Dickinson, ND -- non-life-threatening injuries

**Restraints:** Seatbelt

**Passenger No. 3:** 3-year-old male -- Dickinson, ND -- not injured

**Restraints:** Seatbelt

**Passenger No. 4:** 2-year-old female -- Dickinson, ND -- not injured

**Restraints:** Car Seat

**NARRATIVE:** The 2000 Ford Explorer was traveling eastbound on Morton County Road 139 (approximately 5 miles west of New Salem, ND). The vehicle left the roadway and entered the south ditch. The vehicle rolled and came to rest on its side in the south ditch. The occupants in the vehicle were transported by Ambulance to Hospitals in Bismarck (CHI – St Alexius and Sanford). The driver of the vehicle was pronounced deceased. The passengers in the vehicle were treated at the hospital.

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

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