

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE November 29, 2021

## I-29 MM 64 Southbound Fatal Crash

What:	Two vehicle fatal crash
Where:	I-29 southbound MM 64, at the 17 <sup>th</sup> Ave S overpass
When:	November 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 at approximately 3:00 pm
Road Conditions:	Dry
Weather:	Clear
Type of Crash:	A stopped vehicle was rear ended in lane 2 of southbound I-29
Agencies Involved	: NDHP, Cass SO, Fargo FD, FM Ambulance, NDDOT
Vehicle No. 1: Driver No. 1: Restraints: Charges:	2006 Toyota 4Runner 22 YOA female – no injuries Restrained, air bag deployed None
Vehicle No. 2: Driver No. 1: Restraints:	2000 Chevrolet Silverado, towing an Abu, one axle flatbed trailer None N/A
	72 YOA male; serious injuries 73 YOA female; deceased

## NARRATIVE:

On November 29<sup>th</sup>, at approximately 3:00 pm, a two-vehicle fatal crash occurred southbound on I-29 near MM 64, at the 17<sup>th</sup> Ave S overpass. The crash occurred in lane two of the four lane roadway.



The Chevrolet towing the trailer was stopped in lane 2 and both occupants of the Chevrolet had exited and were standing at the rear of the truck. At this time, it is unknown why the Chevrolet was stopped and both occupants were standing in the lane of traffic. No other traffic was stopped in this area and we had no reports or evidence of a road blockage.

The Toyota approached the stopped Chevrolet and was unable to take evasive action. The Toyota struck the rear of the trailer, propelling the trailer and Chevrolet forward. The trailer struck both pedestrians, who had occupied the Chevrolet prior to the crash.

After the initial collision, the Toyota came to rest on top of the trailer, facing west, upright. The pickup and trailer remained upright and came to rest across lane 2 and 3 of southbound I-29.

The 72 YOA male pedestrian was transported to Sanford Hospital in Fargo for serious injuries. The 73 YOA female pedestrian was pronounced dead on scene. The 22 YOA female driver of the Toyota was uninjured.

Southbound I-29 traffic was impacted for approximately 90 minutes, as only one southbound lane remained open to protect the safety of the first responders on scene.

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

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