

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE February 5, 2022

UPDATED Ward County Fatality Crash

What: Fatality

Where: Highway 52 near mile marker 79 (11 miles South of Carpio, ND)

When: February 4th, 2022, at approximately 03:20PM CST

Road Conditions: Dry, clear

Weather Conditions: Cloudy

Crash Involvement: Semi vs SUV

Type of Crash: Head on Collision

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Ward County Sheriff's Office, Burlington Fire and Rescue,

Burlington Police Department, Trinity Community Ambulance

Vehicle No. 1: 1995 Nissan Pathfinder

Driver No. 1: Evan Elvestad 79 years old, Berthold, ND – Fatal

Restraints: Unknown

Vehicle No. 2: 2009 Ford Escape

Driver No. 2: Clayton Patterson, 84 years old, Donnybrook, ND – Uninjured

Restraints: Unknown

Vehicle No. 3: 2019 Volvo Truck Tractor hauling a loaded cattle trailer

Driver No. 3: Herman Wall, 63 years old, Burdett, Alberta, Canada – minor injuries

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

NARRATIVE:

The Nissan Pathfinder was traveling northbound on Highway 52 near mile marker 79. The Nissan left its lane, sideswiped a Ford Escape that was traveling southbound. The Nissan corrected, left its lane again, and struck an oncoming Volvo hauling cattle head on in the southbound lane. The Nissan came to rest on the west shoulder and caught on fire. The Volvo

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came to rest partially in the west ditch and blocking the southbound lane of travel. The driver of the Nissan was pronounced deceased on scene.

The Crash in under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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