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McKenzie County Fatal Crash

What: Two Vehicle Fatal Crash

Where: Highway 85 Mile Marker 177, 5 miles south of Williston

When: 8/1/2023 approximately 5:59 PM CDT

Road Conditions: Wet

Weather Conditions: Rain

Crash Involvement: Two Vehicle

Type of Crash: Head On Collision

Agencies Involved: NDHP, McKenzie County Sheriff's Office, Williston Rural Fire Department, Williston Ambulance

Vehicle No. 1: 2020 Chevrolet Equinox
Driver No. 1: Female, 43 years old, Groves, TX, Fatal Injury
Restraints: Lap and Shoulder Belt
Charges: None

Passenger No. 1: Male, 42 years old, Groves, TX, Fatal Injury
Restraints: Lab and Shoulder Belt

Vehicle No. 1: 2021 Kenworth Construction
Driver No. 1: Male, 57 year old, Minot, ND, Minor Injury
Restraints: Lap and Shoulder Belt
Charges: None

NARRATIVE: A 2020 Chevrolet Equinox was traveling northbound on Highway 85 near mile marker 177 when it hydroplaned on the wet road caused by a heavy downpour in the area. A Kenworth semi was traveling southbound in the same location at the time. The Equinox crossed over center and struck the Kenworth head on. The driver and passenger in the

Equinox were pronounced deceased on scene. The driver of the Kenworth sustained minor injuries and was transported via ambulance to CHI St. Alexius in Williston.

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

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