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STUTSMAN COUNTY FATAL CRASH UPDATE

Update August 15:

Driver No. 1: Joshua White, 45, Jamestown, fatal injuries

Driver No. 2: Melissa Martinez, 40, Grand Forks, not injured

What: Fatality crash

Where: I-94 westbound, mile marker 250, approximately 6 miles west of Jamestown

When: Thursday, August 13, 6:56 p.m.

Road Conditions: Dry

Weather Conditions: Dry

Crash Involvement: SUV/Freightliner Truck with dump trailer

Type of Crash: Angle

Agencies Involved: North Dakota State Patrol, Stutsman County Sheriff's Office, Jamestown Area Ambulance, Jamestown Fire Department, North Dakota Department of Transportation, Sanford AirMed

Vehicle No. 1: 2003 Ford Expedition

Driver No. 1: Male, 45, Jamestown, fatal injuries

Restraints: Seatbelt not in use

Vehicle No. 2: 2017 Freightliner Truck with dump trailer

Driver No. 2: Female, 40, Grand Forks, not injured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

NARRATIVE: On Thursday, August 13 at approximately 6:56 p.m., a 2003 Ford Expedition traveling east on I-94 near mile marker 250 left the roadway, crossed the median, and struck a westbound 2017 Freightliner. The Expedition came to rest in the median and became engulfed in flames. The Freightliner came to rest on the north shoulder of I-94 westbound.

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The driver of the Expedition sustained serious injuries and was transported via ambulance to Jamestown Regional Medical Center where he died of injuries. The driver of the Freightliner was not injured.

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

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