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**NEWS
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Update Second Crash in Same Day and Location Leaves another Driver Critically Injured

Date: 07/05/2021

Time: 3:37 PM

Location: I-10 West MM 6 (Trans Mountain Rd.)

Vehicle: 2005 Freightliner Conventional / 2012 Wabash Trailer (towed)

Driver: 46 –year old Ismael Alfredo Duron Pasillas of Socorro, Texas

Vehicle: 2004 Ford Explorer

Driver: 72 –year old Reyna Ley-Montes of Canutillo, Texas

Passenger: 7 –year old male

El Paso, Texas - The medical examiner's office reported that the driver of the Ford Explorer passed away on July 22, 2021 from injuries sustained in the crash.

HISTORY

EL PASO, Texas — Investigators with the Special Traffic Investigations Unit were called for the second time yesterday to I-10 West and Trans Mountain Rd. Investigators learned shortly after 3:30 PM, 72 –year old Reyna Ley-Montes was traveling on N. Desert Blvd when she swerved off the road, crossed the dirt median and entered the westbound lanes of the interstate. The 2004 Ford Explorer driven by Ley-Montes crashed into the right side of the 2005 Freightliner Conventional driven by 46 –year old Ismael Alfredo Duron Pasillas. This caused the tractor-trailer to veer left off the roadway and onto the center dirt median. The truck struck the cable barrier and jack-knifed, coming to a rest on the median. The impact caused the Explorer to leave the roadway and land in a concrete embankment off the highway. Ley-Montes suffered life-threatening head injuries and was transported to University Medical Center. Her 7 –year old male passenger sustained minor injuries and was also transported to UMC. Pasillas was not injured. The cause of the collision is still under investigation at this time.



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