

MEDIA RELEASE

Fatal Crash Closes Highway 26 for Nearly Six Hours

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On Thursday, August 15, 2019, at 9:56 a.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies were dispatched to an injury crash on Highway 26 westbound, just west of the NW Helvetia Road off-ramp. When deputies arrived, they discovered five vehicles were involved. One of the vehicles was a commercial truck.

The commercial truck had jackknifed and also crashed into the barrier on the north side of the road. A 2019 Acura MDX was overturned in the middle of the highway and resting on its top. Paramedics from Hillsboro Fire and Rescue and Metro West Ambulance performed life-saving efforts on the driver of the Acura but were unsuccessful. The driver of the Acura was pronounced deceased at the scene.

A 2013 Toyota Yaris, 2014 Subaru Crosstrek, and a 1999 Ford F250 were also involved in the crash. Each vehicle sustained minor damage. An occupant of the Subaru was transported to a local hospital for precautionary reasons.



The investigation into the circumstances of the collision continues. Impairment is not believed to be a factor. The inter-agency Washington County [Crash Analysis Reconstruction Team](#) (CART) responded to assist in the traffic crash investigation.

Highway 26 was closed for approximately six hours during the investigation.



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