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Updated - Stutsman County Fatality Crash

What: Fatality crash

Where: Interstate 94 EB, Mile Marker 249, seven miles west of Jamestown

When: July 15, @ 4:50 PM CT

Road Conditions: Good

Weather: Clear

Conditions: Sunny

Crash Involvement: Single Vehicle

Type of Crash: Rollover

Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol Stutsman County Sheriff's Office
Jamestown Police Department Jamestown Area Ambulance
Jamestown Fire Department Jamestown Rural Fire Dept.
ND Dept. of Transportation Red Cross
Sanford AirMed ND Game and Fish Department
Stutsman County Emergency Management

Vehicle No. 1: 1997 Chevrolet Suburban

Driver No. 1: **Stachia Lawson**, 30-year-old female; Cleveland, ND; serious injury

Restraints: Under investigation

Charges: Under investigation

Passenger No. 1: 11-year-old male; Cleveland, ND; minor injury

Restraints: Under investigation

Passenger No. 2: 10-year-old male; Cleveland, ND; deceased

Restraints: Under investigation

Passenger No. 3:	9-year-old female; Cleveland, ND; Serious, life-threatening injury
Restraints:	Under investigation
Passenger No. 4:	9-year-old female; Cleveland, ND; minor injury
Restraints:	Under investigation
Passenger No. 5:	7-year-old male; Cleveland, ND,, deceased
Restraints:	Under investigation
Passenger No. 6:	6-year-old female; Cleveland, ND; minor injury
Restraints:	Under investigation
Passenger No. 7:	5-year-old female; Cleveland, ND; minor injury
Restraints:	Under investigation

NARRATIVE:

The Chevrolet was eastbound on Interstate 94 when it lost control after being passed by a semi-truck. The Chevrolet left the roadway, rolled, and came to rest on its side in standing water. Following a search by first responders, the 7- and 10-year-old male passengers were located and pronounced deceased at the scene. All other occupants were transported to the Jamestown Regional Medical Center by Jamestown Area Ambulance. One passenger was then life-flighted by Sanford AirMed to Sanford Hospital in Fargo. The driver was transported by Jamestown Area Ambulance to Sanford Hospital in Fargo.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol. **If you were a witness to the crash or have relevant information, please contact the NDHP at (701) 328-2447.**

The injured driver has been identified as **Stachia Lawson** of Cleveland, ND; the names of the juveniles will not be released.

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