

UPDATE: Friday night crash victim ID'd

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Friday night's single car crash at the intersection of U.S. Route 491 and State Highway 264 claimed the life of Cree Oceana Silver, 27, of Pinon, Ariz., according to Ray Wilson, spokesperson for the New Mexico State Police.

The initial investigation reveals that Silver, who was driving a 1996 Volvo, attempted to turn west onto 264 and failed to negotiate the turn and collided into the overpass. A State Police officer described the scene as "gruesome." Vehicle pieces of the initial impact right of the roadway were scattered along side the road.

Silver was reportedly not wearing a seatbelt, Wilson's report states. In addition, the initial investigation revealed that the vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed, and alcohol was likely not a factor in the crash. The investigation is ongoing.

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