

NNPD officer killed in highway collision

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A Navajo Nation Patrol Officer was killed Aug. 30 in a head-on collision that took place near Mile Post 15.5 on Navajo Route 64 between Chinle and Tsaile, Ariz.

The Navajo Nation Police Department has identified the patrol officer as Leander Frank.

According to Jesse Delmar, director of the Division of Public Safety, Frank had been dispatched to a call in the Tsaile area.

It was reported that Frank's vehicle was approaching another vehicle. Both vehicles tried to avoid each other but collided head-on in the middle of the highway.

Frank was killed instantly. All passengers from the other vehicle survived the crash.

The accident is currently being investigated by the Arizona Department of Public Safety.