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TRAFFIC NEWS RELEASE

2010 FATAL

Date of Release: Monday, June 28, 2010

LOCATION OF THE CRASH

Milepost #: Time of Crash: 5:32 p.m.
Highway: Sublette CR# 154 Date of Crash: 6/27/10
*Location Info: 5 miles north of Pinedale in Sublette County

NUMBER OF VEHICLES INVOLVED: 1

NUMBER OF PERSONS INVOLVED: 2

DRIVERS/PASSENGERS

FATALITIES

NAME: Jose D. Salazar AGE: 27 SEX: M
CITY & STATE: Clifton, CO
SUBJECT WAS PASSENGER IN: Vehicle #1
DATE/TIME OF DEATH: 6/27/10 at the scene
SEAT BELT USE: Yes

INJURED/NON-INJURED

NAME: Valdemir Villarreal AGE: 24 SEX: M
CITY & STATE: Grand Junction, CO
HOSPITALIZED AT: Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls, ID
SUBJECT WAS DRIVER OF: Vehicle #1 YEAR: 1992 MAKE: Toyota MODEL: Camry
SEAT BELT USE: Yes

NARRATIVE

Villarreal was southbound on Sublette County Road #154 at an as of yet high rate of speed. He failed to negotiate a left hand curve in the roadway and lost control of the vehicle as it neared the intersecting 'Y' with Bridger Teton U.S. Forest Service Road #111. The vehicle went off the right side of the curve where it then rolled 1 time coming to rest on USFS Road #111. Salazar was trapped in the vehicle. Troopers are still investigating this crash and are attempting to determine how and why Villarreal left the scene of the crash. He was missing from the crash scene for approximately 3 hours and eventually turned himself in at the Sublette County Sheriff's Department in Pinedale. Villarreal was flown by air ambulance to Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls, Idaho. Upon completion of the crash investigation all reports will be turned over to the Sublette County

District Attorney's Office. Upon their review of all the information they will make the final determination of the filing of any criminal charges.

Last year at this same time Wyoming's fatal count was at 53.

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