

Fatal crash in Cibola County

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Two tractor-trailers collided on Interstate 40 around milepost 109 near Laguna, N.M. Sept. 6.

New Mexico State Police responded around 3 pm and found a 53-year-old Fresno, Calif. man had sustained fatal injuries. The driver of a 2014 Kenworth CMV was pronounced dead on the scene by the Office of the Medical Investigator. His identity is not being released until a positive identification has been made.

It appears that a 2001 Freightliner, driven by a 26-year-old Lynnwood, Calif. man had slowed for traffic that was stopped ahead of him when both semis were traveling east on I-40.

The Fresno driver failed to stop and rear-ended the driver from Lynnwood.

The Lynnwood driver was uninjured.

Alcohol does not appear to have been a factor in the crash and seatbelts appear to have been properly fastened. NMSP is investigating.