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WSP Investigating Two Collisions Involving Three Fatalities Overnight

King County: The Washington State Patrol (WSP) is investigating two collisions that occurred in King County involving three individuals that lost their lives.

The first collision occurred EB SR 516 near Meeker St. in Kent, Washington at approximately 9:05pm. A vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed and went to pass another vehicle when it went out of control and slid sideways into a ditch. The vehicle flipped, struck a metal pole and ended up coming to rest on its top. Sadly, the 20 year old male driver who was the sole occupant was ejected and did not survive. This collision is still under investigation at this time.

The second collision occurred around 2:05am SB I-405 north of 160th in Bothell. A 48 year old female was traveling northbound in the southbound lanes of I-405 when she struck another vehicle that was traveling in the correct direction. Unfortunately both drivers did not survive and a passenger in the vehicle traveling in the correct direction survived and was transported to the hospital. This collision is also still under investigation.

These are both very tragic events as any loss of life is one too many. These two collisions are still under investigation to determine if any type of impairment was involved. The Washington State Patrol wants to stress the fact that speed and impairment are contributing factors in many collisions and pleads with drivers to make safe and good decisions before getting behind the wheel.



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