

## **News Release**

## Yukon Coroner's Service investigating a two-vehicle crash on the Alaska Highway

August 28, 2023 – The Yukon Coroner's Service is investigating two deaths as a result of a single incident involving two motor vehicles.

Shortly after midnight on August 27, 2023, Yukon Coroner's Service was notified of a two-vehicle collision on the Alaska Highway near Crestview. A blue Dodge Dakota truck was travelling south while a Ford Explorer was travelling north, and the vehicles collided near the centre line of the highway near the entrance to Azure Road. Both Whitehorse RCMP and the Whitehorse Fire Department attended the scene.

Both drivers, who were the only occupants, sadly deceased at the scene. The Dodge Dakota was occupied by a 27-year-old, while the Ford Explorer was occupied by a 51-year-old. Both drivers were residents of Whitehorse. The Yukon Coroner's Service's investigation into the crash is ongoing and details are still being confirmed.

We want to remind everyone travelling on Yukon roads and highways to take extreme caution when driving regardless of the season. We urge all travelers throughout the territory to be aware of your surroundings, drive attentively and always think safety first.

The Yukon Coroner's Service extends our sincerest condolences to the family and friends of both individuals who tragically lost their lives. We would also like to show our appreciation for the assistance of the RCMP and the Fire Department for their response to this unfortunate incident.

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