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Speed Alcohol & No Seatbelts = Deadly Combination

Roswell – 18 y.o. Tayte M. Hankins of Roswell, NM was killed in an early morning hour motor vehicle crash.

State Police officers from the Roswell office responded to a single vehicle crash just after midnight west of Roswell near the intersection of West Country Club & Brown Road. Upon the officers' arrival they learned that Tayte M. Hankins was traveling at a high rate of speed west bound on Country Club Rd in his 2007 Ford pick-up. Hankins drifted off the roadway, overcorrected to the right placing the vehicle back onto the roadway causing the vehicle to go into three and a half rolls coming to rest on the drivers' side. During one of the rolls Hankins was ejected from the pick-up.

Tayte M. Hankins suffered fatal injuries and was pronounced deceased on scene by the Office of the Medical Investigator. Alcohol was a contributing factor in the crash and Hankins was not wearing his seatbelt.

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