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Double Fatal in Rio Arriba County

Espanola – 19 y.o. Donovan Molina and 24 y.o. Carlos Molina of Medanales, New Mexico were fatally injured when the vehicle they were in crashed.

State Police officers responded to the scene of a motor vehicle crash just after midnight last night, the crash occurred on Rio Arriba County Road 142 just north of Espanola. The officer's investigation showed that 19 y.o. Donovan Molina of Medanales was traveling at a high rate of speed on County Road 142 in his 2003 Dodge pick-up, when he left the right side of the roadway and subsequently rolled three times. Donovan Molina and Carlos Molina were ejected and pronounced deceased at the scene by the Office of the Medical Investigator.

Donovan and Carlos Molina were not wearing their seatbelts at the time of the crash. Excessive speed was a contributing factor in the crash as well as alcohol.

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