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## **FATAL CRASH INVESTIGATION (PHOTO)**

News Release from **Benton Co. Sheriff's Office**

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On 9/18/19 around 5:45 PM, deputies with the Benton County Sheriff's Office responded to a single vehicle crash on Alpine Road, near McFarland Road in Benton County.

A white 1992 Honda Civic was traveling east on Alpine Road. For an unknown reason the Honda left the roadway, rolling several times and landing on the side of Alpine Road.

A preliminary investigation indicated that Ernest Robert Hernandez, born in 1987, was the driver. Mr. Hernandez died as a result of the crash.

The last known address of Mr. Hernandez was in Albany, Oregon but may have lived recently in Alpine.

A passenger, Adrian Gabriel Molina, also born in 1987 and from Eugene, Oregon, survived the crash. No medical update is available for Mr. Molina but his injuries do not appear to be life threatening.

The accident is still under investigation. Alcohol, marijuana and speed may have contributed to the crash. Anyone with information is asked to contact Sgt. David Iverson of the Benton County Sheriff's Office at 541.766.6858.

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