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KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: 08/19/2015

Report Number: 15-142180

Type of Incident: Fatal Accident

Reporting Officer: Deputy Taylor

Supervisor Approval: Sergeant Rakow

On 08/19/2015, at approximately 7:00AM, the Kent County Sheriff Department responded to Vergennes Road near Alden Nash Avenue, in Vergennes Township, Kent County. A Ford Taurus driven by Brian Welch, a 22 year old from Lowell, was traveling westbound, ran off the road, and hit a tree.

Brian Welch was transported to the hospital and is in critical condition at this time. The front seat passenger, Kristina Garza, a 24 year old from Lowell, suffered fatal injuries. The accident remains under investigation and alcohol is not believed to be a factor.