Crash Analysis Studio

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Today's Panelists

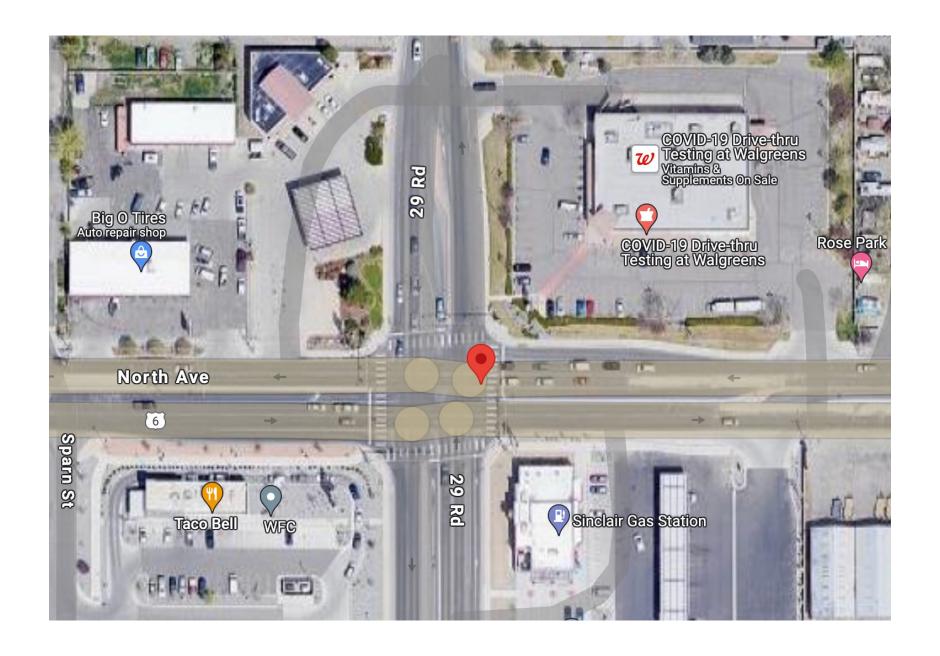
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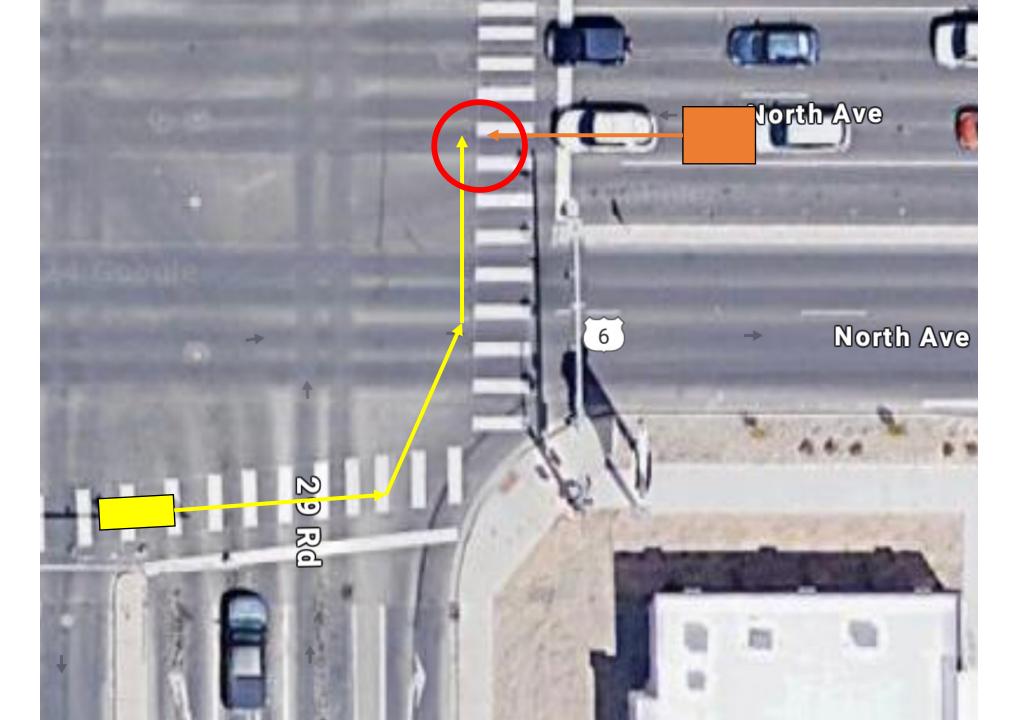
Crash Information

- A cyclist—Joseph E.—was traveling north a few feet outside of the east crosswalk that runs along North Avenue at its intersection with 29 Road.
- A motorist—Trisha L.—was driving her Tahoe in the inner westbound lane, approaching 29 Road, prior to hitting Joseph.
 - The motorist entered the intersection with a green signal light when the crash happened.
- The crash took place at 8:53pm on October 8, 2023
- The crash report indicated the crash location was dark-lighted and dry; there was clear weather that night in Grand Junction.

Crash Information

- Joseph was transported to the hospital with serious injuries just after the collision took place
 - Crash report indicates Joseph was not wearing a helmet
- Trisha stated she was traveling at 32 miles per hour (mph), though the report lists estimated vehicle speed as 28 mph; both speeds are below the posted limit
- Crash report indicates Joseph was not tested for alcohol or substances





Crash Details

- The posted speed limit on North Avenue is 40 mph
 - 12 mph higher than estimated speed listed in crash report
- North Avenue is a straight, level grade road
- Trisha's SUV was towed due to disabling damage

Overall Site Conditions

- North Avenue is a 6 lane roadway at this intersection
 - There are 4 through traffic lanes two westbound and two eastbound
 - At this location, westbound traffic also has a dedicated left-turn and a dedicated right-turn lane
- There are no bike lanes on North Avenue at this intersection, though there is a small median in the center of the roadway
 - 29 Road **does** have bike lanes **south of North Avenue**; the bike lane north of North Avenue disappears and then picks back up after you pass the Walgreens
- This intersection is signalized and has white crosswalks striped on all four of its legs.
 - The crossing on 29 Road is on recall; the crossing on North Avenue is actuated.









View of Intersection from NE Corner

Crash Location from NE Corner



