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PMV-2 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A Staff Sergeant assigned to Fort Carson, Colorado, died in a PMV-2 mishap 17 September 2020 in Divide, Colorado, at 1806 local. The Soldier was operating his motorcycle with another civilian rider on the road when he lost control and struck a wooden utility pole. Emergency medical service pronounced him dead on the scene. Immediately afterward, a state trooper notified the Soldier's unit of the mishap. According to the civilian rider, the Soldier was wearing all required personal protective equipment. The Soldier also completed all required Motorcycle Safety Foundation courses. Speed and alcohol and drug involvement are not currently suspected to have contributed to the mishap. The mishap is under investigation.

Since 2016, the Army has lost an average of 28 Soldiers a year to PMV-2 mishaps. This preventable mishap is the 19th PMV-2 fatality of FY20 and below the number of fatalities for the same time period last year.

PLRs are intended to be used as an engagement tool for leaders to discuss the hazards and trends impacting Soldier safety and readiness. The PLR contains only basic information but provides sufficient background to allow leaders an opportunity to communicate risk at the Soldier level. More detailed information on this and other Army mishaps can be found on the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center website at <https://safety.army.mil/lessonslearned>.

To access current U.S. Army accident statistics and reports, visit <https://safety.army.mil/STATISTICS>.

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