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PMV-4 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A Sergeant assigned to Fort Carson, Colorado, died in a PMV-4 mishap 13 November 2020 in Colorado Springs, Colorado, at 2230 local. The Soldier was operating his vehicle with another Soldier riding as a passenger when he ran off of the road and struck a tree. The Soldier was pronounced dead at the scene, while the passenger was transported to the local hospital with non-fatal injuries and is currently awaiting surgery. The hospitalized Soldier has a favorable prognosis; however, physicians assess the Soldier will lose their right eye. The specific circumstances of the mishap, including speed, use of seat belts, and alcohol and drugs as contributing factors are unknown at this time.

Since 2016, the Army has lost an average of 33 Soldiers a year to PMV-4 mishaps. This mishap is the sixth PMV-4 fatality of FY21.

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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