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PMV-2 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A Specialist assigned to Fort Carson, Colorado, died 3 July 2021 from injuries sustained in a PMV-2 mishap that occurred on 24 June 2021, at approximately 2030 local. The Soldier was operating his motorcycle, when he reportedly lost control while negotiating a curve, suffering a broken neck. He was air lifted to the local hospital and underwent surgery to reduce brain swelling. The Soldier's family made the decision to remove him from life support and he died shortly after. Initial reports indicate that alcohol and drugs were not involved and speed as a contributing factor is unknown at this time. The Soldier was wearing all of the required personal protective equipment and completed the mandatory Motorcycle Safety Foundation's Basic RiderCourse courses.

The Soldier was an active participant in the Battalion and Brigade Motorcycle Mentorship Program and had recently completed a check ride on 20 May 2021. He had a documented T-CLOCS inspection of his motorcycle, dated 27 May 2021.

Since 2016, the Army has lost an average of 27 Soldiers a year to off-duty PMV-2 mishaps. This mishap is the 15th off-duty PMV-2 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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