



Crash Summary Report

HWY17MH011

Concan, TX

About 12:20 p.m. (local time) on Wednesday, March 29, 2017, a 2007 Dodge Ram 3500 pickup truck, occupied by a 20-year-old male driver, was traveling north on U.S. Highway 83 (US-83) in Uvalde County, near Concan, Texas. Meanwhile a 2004 Ford E350 cutaway chassis with a 13-passenger Turtle Top Vanterra medium-size bus body, occupied by a 67-year-old driver and 13 passengers, and being operated by the First Baptist Church of New Braunfels, was traveling southbound on US-83.

As the pickup truck approached the end of an approximate 4-degree righthand curve near milepost 553.4, it departed the northbound travel lane and crossed into the southbound travel lane, colliding with the front left corner of the medium-size bus. In the area of the crash, US-83 is a two-lane roadway with the north and southbound travel lanes divided by a double yellow centerline. There is an approximate 4% upgrade in the northbound direction, and the posted speed limit is 70 mph. The accident occurred in a posted work zone, but no active work was being performed and there was no construction equipment in the immediate area on the day of the crash.

As a result of the crash the bus driver and 12 passengers on the bus were fatally injured. The driver of the pickup truck and one bus passenger sustained serious injuries. The weather conditions were clear and dry.