Adjusting to Bad Driving Conditions – Snow Fatality File

2 men dead after a semi-truck fills with snow.

Two men died in a rollover crash after their semi truck filled with snow, trapping them inside, Wyoming officials said. Highway patrol was called around 5:39 a.m. on Jan. 22 about a rollover crash on Interstate 80, according to a news release posted on Facebook. McClatchy News reached out to the Wyoming Highway Patrol on Jan. 24 and was awaiting a response. The crash happened at around 2:15 a.m., according to KBHB. Keith R. Koehler II, 39, was driving east in a 2007 Volvo semi truck with Tyler U. Judd, 40, "when the vehicle drifted off the left side of the road," troopers said.

Koehler, the driver, made a hard right and turned back onto the highway, troopers said. The truck went off the road and down an embankment. As the Volvo headed down the embankment, "it rolled a quarter-turn onto the driver's side," according to Casper Star-Tribune. The windshield broke, and snow started to pack the truck's cab. The men "were buried under around 2 feet of snow when rescuers arrived several hours later," according to KBHB. Highway patrol said it is investigating fatigue as a possible contributing factor in the crash.