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A 42-year-old Burleson man died Monday night in a crash involving a motorcycle and two vehicles on I-35W in north Burleson.

DATE/TIME: Monday, Oct. 7, 2013, 7:15 p.m.

LOCATION: 700 block of I-35W North, in the southbound lanes

DECEASED NAME: Richard Poe, 42, of Burleson, driving an orange Harley-Davidson motorcycle

According to the crash report Poe was headed southbound on the on ramp to enter the 700 block of North I-35. A white Jeep Cherokee driven by a 58-year-old Burleson woman was southbound in the outside lane of I-35W. A third vehicle, a blue Dodge Dakota pickup driven by a 48-year-old Benbrook man, was southbound in the middle lane of I-35W. A witness that was driving behind the motorcycle said that Poe accelerated and attempted to move into the outside southbound lane. The motorcycle struck the back right side of the Jeep, which caused the motorcycle to go down. Poe was ejected, then he was struck by the Dodge pickup. Poe was not wearing a helmet.

The Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office pronounced the motorcyclist dead at the scene. The southbound lanes of I-35W were closed down for more than four hours between the Alsbury exit and Hidden Creek Parkway as emergency personnel worked the crash.