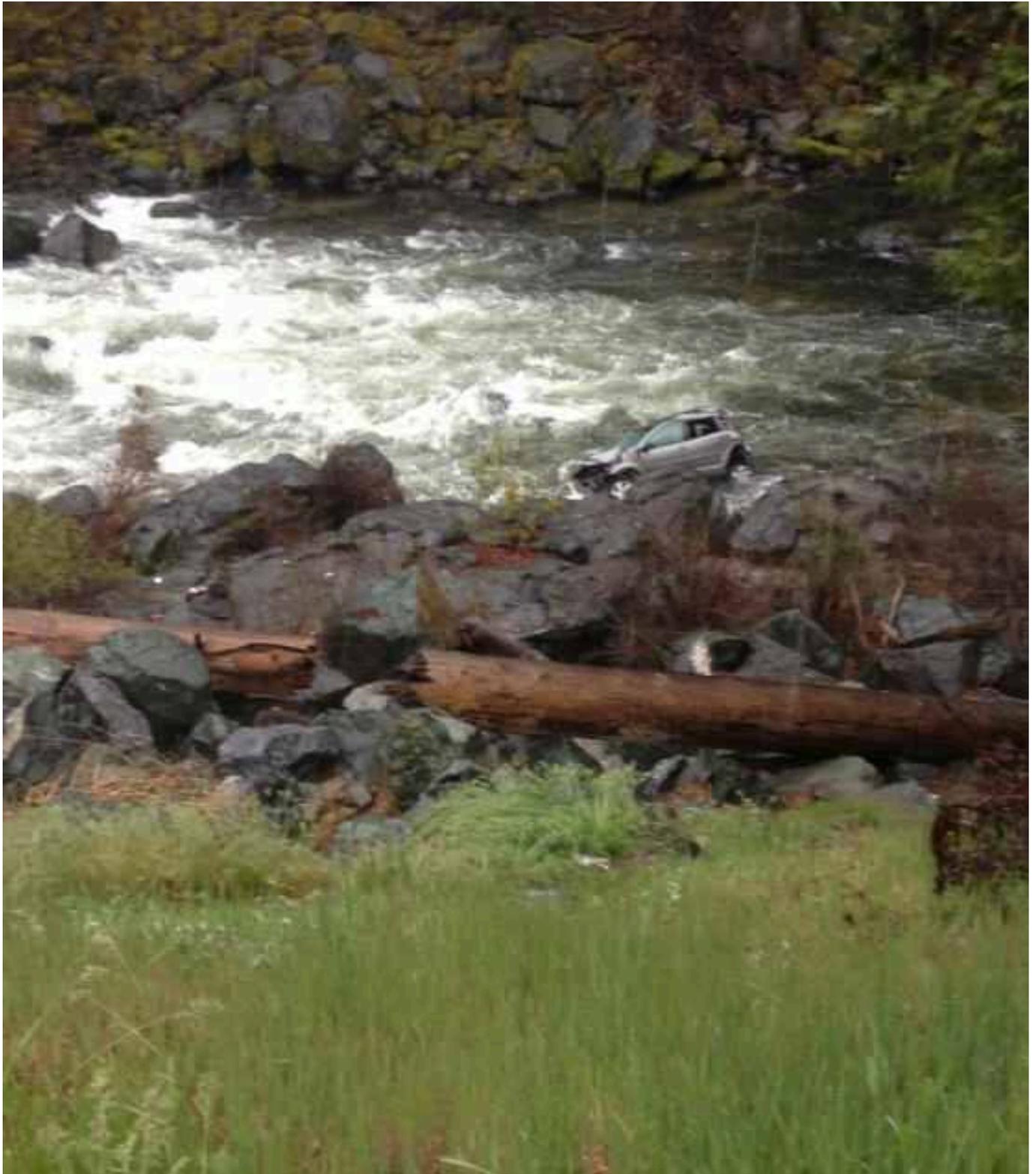


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This photo was taken by the driver's parents when they arrived. It doesn't show much of what it went through to get there, but it gets most of the point across. The

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picture was taken 200 feet away and looking down from the road.

I got into a major accident today that I was able to somehow walk away from. I lost control of my car and went off of a cliff into boulders, and after flipping a few times, settled in the river. I walked away with cuts on my hands from the broken glass and a bruise that runs from my chest over my left shoulder where my seat belt held me in place.

[I shouldn't be alive](#) [1] discussion on Reddit.

swapsrox: Time to send a letter to the manufacturer thanking them for their safety design! I guarantee your letter will be put on an engineer's wall, and they'll know there is a reason they go to work every day.

cmdshftn: Great engineering saved your life. The vehicle's safety systems from the seatbelt to the crumple zones to the design of the seat kept you safe and alive despite all hell going on around you. Please write a letter to the manufacturer thanking their design team, but above all, follow up with whoever you need to in that jurisdiction to find out why there isn't a guard rail on that road! Vehicle safety helps, but great road design to prevent an accident like yours helps more!

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[1] http://www.reddit.com/r/pics/comments/1cfx1m/i_shouldnt_be_alive/