



The following reports have been released by the North Dakota Highway Patrol and compiled by the Herald-Press, the weekly newspaper of Wells County, North Dakota. Updates are available at heraldpressnd.com.

The reports, listed below, are not a complete report of all accidents or activities of the Highway Patrol. This is not a complete listing of every media release provided by the ND Highway Patrol.

Reports are listed with the newest reports at the beginning of the list.

02.15.17 Ward County, Hwy. 83 at Ruthville

Time of Crash: 10:43 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 83, milemarker 210 at Ruthville

Vehicle #1 Description: 1996 Toyota Corolla, driven by 21 year old male. Lives at the Minot Air Force Base, from Raleigh, NC

Vehicle #2 Description: 2007 Kenworth driven by 31 year old Dennis Surprenant of Minot. Charges are pending for Surprenant.

Circumstances: Toyota was traveling south on US 83 from the Minot AFB to Minot. Vehicle Two was traveling west bound

The driver of the Toyota, William Buchanan, 21, was stationed at Minot AFB. He was injured in the crash and taken to Trinity Hospital, where he later died of his injuries. Buchanan is originally from Raleigh, NC. He was on Ward County Road 8 near Ruthville. Surprenant was attempting to cross US 83 into Ruthville. Surprenant failed to yield to the south bound Toyota. The Toyota struck the trailer on the passenger side.

02.09.18 Injury crash on 281 in LaMoure County

Time of Crash: 3:37 p.m.

Location of Crash: 13 miles N of Edgely on Hwy. 281

Vehicle #1 Description: 2005 Kia Sorento driven by 44 year old Michele Eckmann of LaMoure. Eckmann was charged with crossing center line.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2018 Mack Truck pulling a tanker trailer, driven by 47 year old timothy Salberg of Aberdeen SD

Circumstances: The Kia, driven by Eckmann was northbound when she sneezed, causing her SUV to drift onto the southbound lane and into the path of the Mack driven by Salberg.

Salberg attempted to avoid the collision by steering the truck and trailer away from the SUV. Eckman's SUV struck the tanker trailer loaded with gasoline before coming to rest in the center of the roadway. Salberg maintained control of the truck and trailer as it entered the ditch.

Eckman was transported by ambulance. No gasoline spilled from the trailer. The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

02.08.18 Two vehicle crash in Bismarck

Time of Crash: 1:36 p.m.

Location of Crash: South 7th St and E Front Ave

Vehicle #1 Description: 2017 Black Chevrolet Camaro driven by 24 year old Edgar Mendoza from Taylorsville MS. Mendoza was charged with: Fail to stop at red light.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2017 Ford Explorer driven by 33 year old Bismarck Police Officer.

Circumstances: Driver of vehicle 1, Edgar Mendoza was traveling south on S 7th St. Mendoza failed to stop at a red light at the intersection of E Front Ave and S 7th St. A Bismarck Police officer was traveling west on E Front Ave. The officer was crossing the intersection when Mendoza struck the front of the patrol car. Both vehicles were towed from the scene by Dakota Towing. Mendoza was cited for failure to stop at a red light. The NDHP investigated the crash.

02.08.2018 Two vehicle property crash

Time of Crash: 11:40 p.m.

Location of Crash: Bismarck Expressway Ave. and S 9th St.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2017 Ford Explorer driven by 28 year old Joshua Dietrich of Bismarck. Dietrich was charged with: 'Turned left in front of traffic.'

Vehicle #2 Description: 2002 Honda Civic driven by 17 year old Scott Kaylor of Bismarck. One passenger, 17 year old Kati Kaufman of Bismarck.

Circumstances: Vehicle #1, a Bismarck Police Department vehicle, was driven east bound on Expressway Ave. in Bismarck and in the left hand turn lane waiting to make a left hand turn northbound onto S 9th St. Vehicle #1 was behind another vehicle in the left hand turn lane which approached and made a left hand turn onto S 9th St. Vehicle #2 was driven west bound in the right hand lane of Expressway Ave. and approaching S 9th St. Driver #1 was watching the vehicle turn in front of him and did not see Vehicle #2 proceeding into the intersection as he made his left hand turn onto S 9th St. Driver of Vehicle #2 attempted to brake and turn to the right to avoid Vehicle #1. The left, front area of Vehicle #2 came into contact with the right, front area of Vehicle #1 causing damage to both vehicles.

02.08.2018 McKenzie Co. Injury Crash

Time of Crash: 10:11 p.m.

Location of Crash: South of Keene

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Kenworth Truck Tractor driven by 49 year old Michael Amundson of Clifford, ND. Amundson was charged with 'disregarded stop sign.'

Vehicle #2 Description: 2013 Ford F350 driven by 26 year old Ryley Mitchel of Kenne. Three Passengers: 52 year old Bradley Schumann of Lafayette, LA, 26 year old Brianna Mitchell and 1 month old Rebecca Mitchell, both of Keene.

Circumstances: Vehicle 1 was traveling eastbound on CORD 12 approached an intersection marked with a stop sign. Vehicle 2 was northbound on State Highway 23 near mile marker 22. Vehicle 1 was going to turn southbound on State Highwya 23 at that stop sign. Vehicle1 approached the stop sign too quickly, applied the brakes, but was unable to stop. Vehicle 1 slid through the intersection and struck the driver's side of vehicle 2. Vehicle 1 jack-knifed, slid across State Highway 23 and came to rest facing northweston its wheels in the eastbound lane of Co. Road 12. Vehicle 2 came to rest in the NE ditch of State Hwy. 23 and Co. Road 12 facing north on its wheels. All four occupants of vehicle 2 were transported by McKenzie County Ambulance to McKenzie County Hospital.

Ryley Mitchell was airlifted to the University of Minnesota at a later time.

02-06-2018 Single vehicle accident in McKenzie County

Time of Crash: 10:15 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 68, 10 miles south of Alexander, ND

Vehicle Description: 2017 Workover Rig driven by 55 year old Pablo Polvon of Liberal, KS. Polvon was charged with: Care Required.

Circumstances: The work over rig was traveling south bound on highway 68, when the rig entered the west ditch. The driver over corrected to east, then back to the west, then back to the east. The rig overturned onto its side, on top of the roadway, blocking both north and south bound lanes. The driver was transported from the scene for minor injuries. The accident caused highway 68 to close for roughly 4 hrs for investigation and recovery efforts. Traffic was detoured around the accident via country roads. US Border Patrol and the McKenzie County Sheriff's Department assisted in the road closure and traffic control.

01.04.2018 DOT Snow Plow Crash

Time of Crash: 8:55 a.m.

Location of Crash: I-29 and Hwy 46 overpass (Exit 48)

Vehicle Description: 2014 Ford F150 driven by 64 year old man from Hickson, ND.

Vehicle Description: 2013 International Snow plow with tow plow driven by 45 year old man from Fargo.

A ND DOT snow plow was northbound on the off-ramp of I-29 at the junction with ND State Hwy. 46 (Exit 48). The snow plow was clearing snow from the off and on-ramps at this exit. The snow plow was crossing Hwy. 46, crossing from the off-ramp to the on-ramp when the Ford struck the passenger side of the front plow of the snow plow. The Ford had been westbound on Hwy. 46.

The driver of the Ford was transported to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

The crash remains under investigation.

01-03-18 High speed pursuit near Devils Lake

On Tuesday January 2nd at approximately 8:12p.m. A North Dakota Highway Patrol Trooper attempted to stop a white Chevy Cavalier passenger car for speeding. The Cavalier was traveling westbound at 83mph in a 70mph zone. The initial violation occurred 5 miles east of Devils Lake ND. The Cavalier fled from the trooper reaching speeds of 100+ mph. When the vehicle reached the city limits of Devils Lake the trooper discontinued the pursuit for public safety reasons.

The Chevy Cavalier was located abandoned within the city limits of Devils Lake shortly after the pursuit was terminated. The vehicle has been seized pending the investigation.

01-02-2018 Injury crash on I-94 near Jamestown

Time of Crash: 5:03 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, mile marker 261 near Jamestown

Vehicle #1: 2002 Ford F150 pickup driven by 69 year old James Mulfinger of Bismarck.

Vehicle #2: 2005 Honda Civic driven by 42 year old Jason Siebert of Mandan, with one passenger, 16 year old Faith Siebert of Mandan

The Ford F150 driven by Mulfinger was eastbound on the interstate before the pickup slid out of control, crossed the median and continued onto the westbound lanes. The F150 then collided with the westbound Honda Civic driven by Siebert.

Both occupants in the Civic suffered only minor injuries. The driver of the F150 suffered non-life threatening serious injuries.

Both lanes were blocked for a short time before one vehicle was removed from the roadway. Traffic was slowly directed through the scene for nearly an hour before injured occupants were transferred and vehicles were removed from the scene.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

01-01-2018 Four vehicle property crash

Time of Crash: 5:30 a.m.

Location of Crash: 600 block 2nd St. NE in Devils Lake

Vehicle #1: 1994 Chevrolet Silverado pickup driven by 15 year old male from Fort Totten. He was charged with DUI.

Vehicle #2: 2016 Ford Explorer, Devils Lake Police No driver. Vehicle was parked.

Vehicle #3: 2017 Ford Explorer, Devils Lake Police Vehicle No driver. Vehicle was parked.

Vehicle #4: 2006 Chrysler Sebring, No driver. Vehicle was parked.

Circumstances: The juvenile male attempted to back the Chevrolet onto the street and struck two parked Devils Lake Police Department patrol vehicles before attempting to drive forward and spinning out. The driver then again attempted to drive in reverse and backed the Chevrolet into the parked Chrysler in a driveway, pushing the Chrysler into a fence. Damage to all vehicles was minor. Both police vehicles and the Chrysler were unoccupied.

No injuries. The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

12-31-2017 Accident on I-94, 3 miles west of Medina

Time of Crash: 10:15 a.m

Location of Crash: I-94 three miles west of Medina

Vehicle #1: 2015 Porsche Cayenne driven by 37 year old Lara Weisman of Excelsior, MN. One passenger: 39 year old Scott Mills of Buffalo, MN Both occupants were wearing seatbelts. Weisman was charged with Care Required.

Vehicle #2: 2016 International Truck with Trailer driven by 50 year old Fredrick Jones of Monango, ND

The 2016 International truck, driven by Fredrick Jones, was westbound on I-94 in the right lane. The semi was going around 35 mph because it's diesel fuel was beginning to gel up. The Porsche, driven by Lara Weisman, was westbound on I-94 in the right lane with cruise control set. The driver was distracted by something inside the vehicle and did not see the International truck. The Porsche rear ended the International truck's trailer. Lara Weisman was transported to Jamestown Regional Medical Center for minor injuries by Medina Ambulance.

12-28-2017 NDHP Squad Car Struck

On 12/28/2017 at approximately 9:48 am, a NDHP patrol vehicle was parked with its emergency lights flashing on the median shoulder of I-29 just north of the Main Avenue Exit (Exit 65) in Fargo. A NDHP trooper was on scene investigating a crash that had occurred at approximately 9:35 am at this location. One of the vehicles involved in the crash came to rest on the median shoulder against the concrete barrier.

Minutes after arriving and while the patrol car was parked at the above described location, a northbound 2015 Subaru Legacy lost control on I-29 and struck the rear of the NHPD patrol vehicle. After striking the patrol car, the Subaru came to rest facing east across two of the three northbound lanes.

The roadway was ice covered at the time of the crash. Seven other crashes occurred in the Fargo metro area during the morning hours, along with numerous cars that spun into the ditches around town.

The NDHP would remind motorists that during the winter months' speeds need to be reduced, your cruise control needs to be deactivated and that motorists need to drive for the current road conditions. If roads appear wet during cold weather time periods there is a good chance they are ice covered or soon will be.

The NDHP was assisted on scene by the Cass County Sheriff's Office. The Cass County SO is investigating the crash involving the NDHP squad car and Subaru.

12-22-2017 Injury crash in McKenzie County

Time of Crash: 1:50 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 85, 5 miles south of Watford City

Vehicle #1: 2010 Pontiac G6 driven by 20 year old Alyssa Helstad of Crosby. Helstad was wearing a seatbelt. She was injured.

Vehicle #2: 2001 Honda Civic driven by 21 year old Rachel Crain of Killdeer, Crain was wearing a seatbelt. She was injured.

Circumstances: Helstad was traveling northbound on Highway 85 in a 4-door passenger vehicle. Crain was negotiating a U-turn in a 2-door passenger vehicle into the southbound lane of Highway 85. Crain failed to yield to Helstad, and in turn Crain's vehicle was struck on the left side by the front of Helstad's vehicle. Both vehicles then entered the ditch and came to a rest.

Crain was charged with making an improper turn.

Both vehicles were totaled in the crash. Crain and Helstad were transported to the McKenzie County Hospital by McKenzie County Ambulance.

NDHP and NDDOT Encourage Motorists to use Caution around Snowplows

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Highway Patrol (NDHP) and the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) remind motorists to use caution and allow a safe traveling distance behind snowplows. On Wednesday, Dec. 20, the NDHP reported three crashes involving snowplows on Highway 2; two of the crashes occurred near Tioga and the third occurred near Towner. On Thursday, Dec. 21, another crash involving a snowplow occurred on Highway 85 south of Williston. No injuries were reported in any of the crashes.

It is recommended to reduce speed and double the normal following distance when following a snowplow. Motorists are urged to not drive through whiteouts or snow fog caused by crosswinds or plowing of snowdrifts. Snowplow operators will pull over and stop when it is safe to allow traffic to pass. It is important to know where the plow is on multi-lane roadways. The plow could be in either lane or on the shoulder.

All travelers are encouraged to monitor road conditions and use caution while traveling.

Please wear seat belts, reduce speeds and drive according to the conditions.

Two Vehicle Injury Crash

BISMARCK, N.D. – At 2:18 am on Thursday, December 21, the North Dakota Highway Patrol (NDHP) responded to a two vehicle injury crash in Bismarck at the intersection of North 7th Street and East Rosser Avenue.

Officer Dawson Rogstad, Bismarck Police Department, was on patrol traveling south on North 7th Street in a fully marked patrol vehicle. Officer Rogstad came to the intersection of 7th Street and East Rosser Avenue where the traffic light was flashing yellow. A second vehicle, driven by Andrea Lawler of Linton, ND, was traveling west on East Rosser Avenue approaching the intersection where the traffic light was flashing red. Lawler failed to stop at the flashing red light and pulled out in front of Officer Rogstad's vehicle.

Officer Rogstad applied his brakes and struck Lawler's vehicle on the passenger side with the front of the patrol vehicle. Road conditions were snow covered at the time of the crash, but the weather was clear.

Lawler was tested for alcohol impairment and placed under arrest for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. She was also cited for failure to stop at the red light. Lawler and her passenger, Kellan Geiger, Bismarck, were not injured. Officer Rogstad was treated and released at Sanford Medical Center with minor injuries.

NDHP Pursuit

On 12/20/2017 at approximately 12:17 pm, a NDHP Trooper attempted to stop a 1999 Chevrolet Silverado for speeding. The Silverado was westbound I-94 about 15 miles east of Jamestown.

The Silverado fled from the trooper westbound at speeds in excess of 100 miles per hour before exiting I-94 at exit 272 and traveling north on the gravel Barnes County roadway. A short distance north of the exit ramp, the Silverado came to a stop. As the trooper approached the vehicle, the Silverado fled again northbound on the gravel county road. The Silverado fled north three more miles before crossing railroad tracks and coming to a stop near an intersection close to the railroad tracks.

The trooper stopped his patrol car prior to the railroad tracks to await back-up and to observe the driver of the Silverado. Seconds later, the Silverado accelerated rearward at a high rate of speed toward the trooper's vehicle. Shortly after crossing the tracks, the Silverado veered toward the trooper's patrol vehicle. The trooper evaded a collision by backing onto a nearby approach. The Silverado slid into the ditch filled with snow and became stuck.

A short time later, the driver of the Silverado was arrested without further incident. The driver was Levi David Thene, 29 YOA, from West Fargo, ND. Thene was charged with the following: Felony Reckless Endangerment and Misdemeanor Fleeing A Police Officer, Carrying a Concealed Weapon and Unlawful Display of License Plates. Thene is currently in custody at the Stutsman County Correctional Center.

The NDHP was assisted on scene by deputies from the Stutsman County Sheriff's Office and an officer from the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

12-20-2017 Patrol Vehicle Crash near West Fargo

Time of Crash: 8:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, near West Fargo

Vehicle #1: 1997 Dodge Intrepid driven by Tabettha Fenner of Banesville, MN. She was using a seatbelt. She was injured.

Vehicle #2: 2013 Ford Taurus Patrol Vehicle driven by 25 year old Joshua Page of Fargo. He was using a seatbelt. He was not injured.

Circumstances: Trooper Page was parked on the median shoulder of westbound I-94 near MM 344.50. He was parked with his emergency lights activated at the scene of another incident. While parked at this location, the Dodge driven by Fenner approached Trooper Page from the rear. Fenner was in the left lane. When she neared Trooper Page, Fenner braked, lost control of her vehicle and rear ended the patrol car. Trooper Page had observed Fenner approaching, placed his vehicle in drive and was attempting to avoid a collision when the crash occurred.

After the collision Fenner's vehicle entered the median. Trooper Pages' vehicle came to rest on the median shoulder with its emergency lights still activated.

Fenner was transported to Essentia Hospital with minor injuries. Trooper Page was unhurt.

Fenner was cited for Careless Driving.

12-20-2017 Injury crash near Kindred

Time of Crash: 10:30 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 46 near Kindred

Vehicle #1 2016 Kenworth semi driven by 71 year old Norris Smedshammer of Verona. Safety restraints were not used. Smedhsmmmer was injured.

Vehicle #2: 2008 Kenworth semi driven by 29 year old Jonathan Schmidt of Kindred. Safety restraints were used. Schmidt was not injured.

Circumstances: Vehicle #1 was behind vehicle #2 traveling east on Hwy 46. Vehicle #2 slowed and was turning right into a business. Vehicle 1 struck the metal beams on vehicle #2. Vehicle #1 lost control, crossed Hwy 46 and entered the north ditch. Vehicle #1 driver was pinned in the semi due to extensive cab damage. He was extricated and transported to Sanford ER. Vehicle #1 driver sustained non-life threatening injuries.

The driver of vehicle #1 was cited for following too close.

12-18-2017 Injury cash west edge of Grand Forks

Time of Crash: 2:25 p.m.

Location of Cash: Hwy 2 westbound, west edge of Grand Forks mp 354

Vehicle #1: 2007 Cadillac SUV driven by 26 year old Josephine Betz with two passengers: 3 yea old boy and 1 year old female. All were using safety restraints. All were injured

Vehicle #2: 2000 Chevy 4 door sedan driven by 33 year old Justin Loterbaugh, of Grand Forks, with one passenger, 35 year old Trisha Shambaugh, also from Grand Forks. Neither were using safety restraints. Both were injured.

Circumstances: Vehicle #2 , a 2000 Chevy sedan was traveling west bound in the right lane of Hwy 2 near the west edged of Grand Forks. For an unknown reason driver #2 attempted to cross the median by turning left from the right lane. Vehicle #2 , the 2000 Chevy was struck on the driver's side by Vehicle #1, a 2007 Cadillac that was traveling west bound in the left lane.

Both occupants of Vehicle #2 were transported to Altru by ambulance for treatment of their injuries. The male driver was arrested for DUI.

The occupants of the 2007 Cadillac were treated and released at the scene for minor injuries.



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On December 15th at 6:05 pm, a Chevy Impala driven by Glen Maurer, 88 YOA, was westbound in the eastbound lanes of Interstate 94 near MM 343 and side swiped an eastbound Nissan Murano driven by 61 year old Michael Weigelt from Fessenden.

Michelle Weigelt, a 56 year old passenger of the Murano, got out of the Murano to check on Maurer. A short time later an eastbound Chevrolet pickup driven by Austin Owen, 19 YOA from Gackle struck the disabled Impala that remained on the eastbound lane. The Impala then struck Weigelt who was standing nearby.

Weigelt suffered serious injuries. F-M Ambulance transported Weigelt and Maurer to a Fargo Hospital. A period of heavy snowfall covered road at the time of the crash. All occupants were seat belted. Maurer was cited for driving the wrong direction on the roadway. The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

The Cass County Sheriff's Department, West Fargo Fire Department, and Mapleton First responders assisted.

12-15-2017 Richland County accident

Time of Crash 6:35 a.m.

Location of Crash: 1 mile east of Mooreton, ND

Vehicle Description: 2000 Toyota 4 Runner driven by 27 year old William Owens of Grand Forks. One passenger, 27 year old Meghan Homan of Grand Forks.

Circumstances: The 2000 Toyota was traveling southbound on I-29 just north of the junction of Highway 13. The driver of the Toyota lost control on the icy, snow covered road and entered the median where it struck a guard rail. The Toyota came to rest facing north in the median. The passenger was trapped in the vehicle and was extricated by Fire and Rescue personnel.

Both the driver and passenger were transported to Essentia Hospital in Fargo for their injuries. The driver of the Toyota was cited for care required.

12-15-2017 Richland County Crash

Time of Crash: 7:28 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 13 at Mooreton, ND

Vehicle #1 Description: 2002 Chevrolet S10 driven by 17 year old Jacob Olsby of Mooreton, ND

Vehicle #2 Description: 2003 Dodge Ram 2500 driven by 43 year old Christopher Aadland

Circumstances: The 2002 Chevrolet, driven by Jacob Olsby, was traveling eastbound on Highway 13. The driver lost control on the icy, snow covered road and partially entered the westbound lane where it was struck by a westbound 2003 Dodge Ram, driven by Christopher Aadland. Mr. Olsby was transported to Sanford Hospital in Fargo for minor injuries.

The crash is still under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

12-12-2017 White Shield Fatality Crash

Time of Crash: 12:41

Location of Crash: 3 miles west of White Shield

Vehicle #1 Description: 2015 Chevy Silverado driven by 81 year old Blanche Mary White Eagle of White Shield

Vehicle #2 Description: 2005 Kenworth driven by 37 year old Dustin Kovarik of Garrison

Circumstances: White Eagle was stopped on 63rd Avenue NW on the north side of the intersection with Hwy 1804. White Eagle attempted to cross 1804 traveling south on 63rd Avenue. White Eagle failed to yield to west bound Kovarik. Kovarik attempted to brake and steer left around the vehicle, but struck the drivers side of the Chevrolet with the front of the Kenworth. The Chevrolet spun counter clockwise and came to rest in the north ditch facing northwest. Kvorik came to rest on the south shoulder of the intersection facing southwest.

White Eagle died at the scene.

The crash is still under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

12-11-2017 Fatal Crash in Ramsey County

Time of Crash: 8:30 a.m.

Location of Crash: Ramsey County Road 2, 3 miles east of Crary, ND

Vehicle Description: 2001 Dodge Ram 1500 pickup driven by 90 year old Edgar Behm of Fordville, ND

Circumstances: Behm was driving his vehicle west on Ramsey County Road 2 when it spun out of control on icy road surfaces. The vehicle ran off the road into the south ditch and overturned.

Behm died at the scene.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

12-05-17 Injury Crash in McKenzie County

Time of Crash: 10:55 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 85, 1 mile southwest of Alexander, ND

Vehicle #1 Description: 2012 Dodge Ram Pickup driven by 28 year old Aaron Jonas from Indio, CA.

Vehicle #2 Description: 1997 Ford Crown Victoria driven by 44 year old male from Fairfield, CA.

Circumstances: A 2012 Dodge Pickup, traveling north bound on US Hwy 85, struck a 1997 Ford Crown Victoria traveling south bound on US Hwy 85. The driver of the Ford lost control and slid across the median, crossing into the north bound lanes of highway 85. The Dodge pickup struck the driver's side towards the rear of the Ford with it's front left corner. The Ford remained in the north bound lanes after impact and came to a rest facing South. The Dodge entered the east ditch after impact and came to a rest facing Southwest. The driver of the Ford was transported to Williston via ambulance and later flown to Trinity Hospital in Minot, ND.

This accident remains under investigation and no charges have been filed at this time.

Name of the injured driver is being withheld pending next of kin notification. A follow up media release will be sent out tomorrow.

12-03-17 Cow Crash in Lamoure County

Time of Crash: 7:20 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 281, 37 miles south of Jamestown

Vehicle Description: 2011 Toyota 4 Runner driven by 33 year old Ronald White, III, from Edgeley.

The Toyota was traveling southbound on Highway 281. Around mm 37, the vehicle struck three cows in the southbound lane. The Toyota came to rest facing south in the northbound lane. Two cows were injured and one was killed. The injured cows were dispatched by the owner.

The driver was transported by ambulance to Jamestown Regional Medical center for non life threatening injuries sustained in the crash.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.



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Airplane Emergency Landing West of Valley City

At approximately 0533 pm on December 2, 2017, a 1974 Cessna Cardinal airplane was flying from Fargo to Bismarck. Due to total engine failure, pilot Jerry Schauer of Bismarck had to land the airplane. The pilot was able to safely glide the plane onto I 94 around mm 280 westbound and then taxi into the north ditch. The landing occurred 12 miles west of Valley City in Barnes County.

North Dakota Highway Patrol responded to the scene. There was no other damage to the airplane and the pilot was not hurt. The plane will remain in the north ditch overnight and will be retrieved tomorrow during daylight hours.

The FAA are aware of the incident and representatives will coordinate response with the pilot.

There will be no investigation conducted by the Highway patrol.



12-01-2017 Fatal accident in Slope County

Time of accident: 2:06 p.m.

Location of accident: 13 miles southwest of New England

Vehicle #1 Description: 2007 Nissan Murano driven by 21 year old Y Mani Zayd Freeman, from Dickinson, did not survive the accident.

Three passengers: 19 year old Alyssa Jo Golden from Dickinson, 22 year old Brian Sweet from Amidon and 20 year old Dylan Janke from Jamestown. All passengers were injured. None of the occupants were wearing seatbelts.

Circumstances: The Nissan was southbound on 130th Ave SW in Slope County, approximately 13 miles SW of New England. The driver lost control of the Nissan and it rolled several times, ejecting three of the occupants. The driver was killed in the crash. Two others were seriously injured. Alcohol was a factor in the crash.

This crash is still under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol and the Slope County Sheriff's Department.

12-01-2017 Stutsman County accident

Time of accident: 2:31 p.m.

Location of accident: Interstate 94, 30 miles west of Jamestown

Vehicle #1 Description: 1995 Motor Coach Industries bus driven by 70 year old Robert Philpott of Moorhead. 20 members of the MSUM Mens Basketball team were on board.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2005 Buick Terraza driven by 34 year old Joel Hill of Fargo. Three juvenile passengers, a 9 year old female and a 5 year old male and an 18 month old. The drive and the infant were properly restrained.

Circumstances: The Motor Coach and Buick were traveling in the left lane on Interstate 94. Around MM 227 a vehicle was stopped in the right lane due to the driver having a medical issue. A semi swerved to the left lane in front of the Buick to miss the vehicle stopped in the right lane. The driver of the Buick applied brakes for the the semi and was rear ended by the Motor Coach. The Motor Coach is owned by Richards Transport Service who was transporting the Minnesota State University - Moorhead basketball team to a game in Bismarck.

The Buick contained a 3rd juvenile at the age of 18 months that was properly restrained. All occupants of the Buick were transported to Jamestown Regional Medical Center and treated for minor injuries.

The were no injuries to the driver or occupants of the Motor Coach.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

11-13-2017 Fatal accident in Walsh County

Time of accident: 7:40 a.m.

Location of accident: approximately 1 mile south of Minto.

Vehicle Description: 2014 Dodge Durango driven by 30 year old Elizabeth Knecht of Forest River.

Circumstances: Knecht was traveling north on 150th Ave NE. Her vehicle left the roadway near the Forest River and entered the west ditch. The vehicle then traveled over the river bank, overturned, and broke through the ice to come to rest upside down partially submerged in the river.

Knecht died at the scene.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

11-09-2017 Fatal Crash in LaMoure County

Time of Crash: 3:53 p.m.

Location of Crash: 6 miles northeast of Edgeley

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Peterbilt semi with hopper trailer driven by 41 year old Band Sanderson of Stirum, ND.

Vehicle #2 Description: 1995 Chevy Blazer driven by 79 year old Coral Bardell of Monango, ND

Circumstances: The 2001 Peterbilt was traveling eastbound on Lamoure County Road 34 hauling a fully loaded trailer full of corn. The 1995 Chevrolet Blazer was traveling southbound on 85th Ave SE and continued through the intersection where it was struck by the 2001 Peterbilt.

The Peterbilt entered the south ditch, rolled, and came to rest on its driver side facing northeast in the south ditch. The 1995 Blazer entered the north ditch, rolled and came to rest on its wheels facing southeast. The driver of the Peterbilt, a 41 year old male, suffered minor injuries and was transported to Jamestown Regional Medical Center by the Edgeley Ambulance. The driver of the Blazer, a 79 year old male, died as a result of his injuries.

The crash is still under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

11-03-2017 Fatal accident in McKenzie County

Time of accident 1:20 p.m.

Location of accident: US Hwy 85, 4 miles west of Amegard

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Toyota Highlander driven by 64 year old Duane Lindgren of Fergus Falls, with one passenger 61 year old Joy Lindgren, also of Fergus Falls.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2004 GMC Envoy driven by 52 year old Allen Parkinson of Sugar City, Idaho, with one passenger, 51 year old Robyn Johnson of Roberts Idaho

Circumstances: The North Dakota Highway Patrol investigated the following accident on US Hwy 85 near Arnegard, ND:

Lindgren was traveling west bound from Fergus Falls, MN to Fairview, MT on US Hwy 85. Parkinson was traveling east bound from Williston, ND to Watford City, ND on US Hwy 85. Parkinson lost control of his vehicle as it began to rotate counter clockwise and entered the west bound lanes. Lindgren's vehicle struck Parkinson's vehicle on the passenger side in the westbound lanes. Lindgren's vehicle rotated clockwise and came to a rest upright, facing east in the left lane of the west bound lanes. Parkinson's vehicle rotated clockwise after impact and exited the roadway to the north. Parkinson's vehicle came to a rest upright, facing southwest in the north ditch. The female passenger in Parkinson's vehicle died on scene. All other occupants were transported to the hospital.

The accident remains under investigation and no charges have been filed at this time.

11-02-2017 Fatal accident north of Dickinson

Time of accident: 9:28 a.m.

Location of accident: Hwy 22, 12 miles north of Dickison

Vehicle #1 Description: 2005 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 63 year old Timothy Stroh of Manning, ND>

Vehicle #2 Description: 2002 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 69 year old Thomas Johnson, with one passenger, 81 year old Joseph Watson o East Point, Georgia.

11-02-2017 Truck rolled near Jamestown

Time of crash: 10:40 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 52 bypass and Stutsman Co. Rd. 40

Vehicle Description: 2000 Mack truck pulling a belly dump trailer driven by 27 year old Tyler Goodroad of Jamestown.

Circumstances: The southbound Mack truck was hauling a load of sand in a belly dump trailer when the driver failed to slow to a reasonable speed prior to turning east onto a county road.

The truck and trailer rolled onto its side. A portion of the load spilled onto the shoulder. County road traffic was diverted for approximately one hour.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

10-26-2017 Truck crash in Jamestown I-94 construction zone

Time of crash: 11:53 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 at Jamestown, mile marker 260

Vehicle Description: 2016 Peterbilt pulling two enclosed trailers driven by 26 year old Steve Nelson of Bismarck.

Circumstances: The Peterbilt driven by Nelson was eastbound through a construction zone while pulling a set of double trailers when the truck slid out of control while crossing an icy overpass. The Peterbilt struck a guardrail and jackknifed its trailers while entering the median.

The truck came to rest on the westbound lanes after striking a mobile Slipform Concrete Paver.

The driver, transported by ambulance suffered non-life threatening injuries.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.



Pedestrian – Vehicle Crash

BISMARCK, N.D. – On Thursday October 26th, 2017 around 0615 hrs: 58 year old Maryette Ost of Jamestown, ND was walking along Interstate 94 near mile marker 212 (East of Steele, ND). Ost was walking along the westbound roadway and was in the process of crossing to the eastbound roadway. Ost was struck by a westbound vehicle. The striking vehicle did not stop. Ost was transported to Sanford Hospital for non-life threatening injuries. This incident remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Anyone with information as to this crash or the identity of the striking vehicle is asked to contact the North Dakota Highway Patrol at 701-328-2467.

10-25-2017 3-car accident in Bismarck

Time of crash: 4:15 p.m.

Location of crash: Westbound Bismarck Expressway

Vehicle #1 Description: 2010 Pontiac G6 driven by 17 year old Karli Pazdernik of Mandan.

Vehicle #2: 2008 Dodge Avenger driven by 18 year old Alexia Berube of Monana.

Vehicle #3: 2017 Chevrolet Malibu driven by 17 year old Cortnie Mongeon of Mandan.

Circumstances: Driver of Vehicle#1 struck the rear end of vehicle #2 on Bismarck Expressway just north of the BNSF bridge. As a result of the contact vehicle#2 struck vehicle#3. Bismarck Expressway westbound was reduced to one lane travel for approximately 45 minutes with the on ramp to Expressway from Memorial Bridge being shut down for 20 minutes.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

10-21-2017 Combine and SUV crash in Ransom County

Time of Crash: 7:26 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 42, four miles west of Enderlin

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Land Rover Discovery SUV driven by 27 year old Matthew Johnson of Fargo.

Vehicle #2 Description: 1983 John Deere 8820 Combine driven by 15 year old Spencer Hajicek-Peterson of Milnor.

Circumstances: The combine driven by Hajicek-Peterson was eastbound on Highway 45 when the driver noticed the Land Rover driven by Johnson approaching from the rear. The combine was slowed and driven further onto the shoulder to allow the Land Rover to pass.

The right front Land Rover struck the left rear of the combine. The combine entered the south ditch. The Land Rover entered the north ditch and rolled.

Hajicek-Peterson was not injured. Johnson suffered serious injuries and was transported by ambulance to a Fargo Hospital.

The Crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

10-20-2017 Fatal accident in Cavalier County

Time of accident: 11:45 p.m.

Location of Accident: Approximately five miles west of Walhalla

Vehicle Description: 2002 Chevrolet K1500 pickup driven by 31 year old Heinrich Penner Fehr of Walhalla. Thirty-three year old Matthew Webster, of Walhalla, a passenger, was ejected and died at the scene. His name has not been released.

Circumstances: The Chevrolet was traveling east on 105th Street NE. The driver failed to negotiate a right-hand curve at the intersection with 121st Avenue NE. The vehicle traveled across 121st Avenue NE and into the east ditch where it overturned, ejecting the male passenger.

Penner Fehr was transported by ambulance to Pembina County Memorial Hospital in Cavalier with injuries. Webster died at the scene.

Fehr was charged with DUI.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

10-20-2017 Trail County Vehicle Fire on I-29

Time of incident: 3:50 p.m.

Location of incident: Southbound interstate 29 miles south of Buxton

Vehicle Description: 2004 Chevrolet Venture minivan driven by 58 year old Diana McBride of Cosmos, MN

Circumstances: McBride was driving south on Interstate 29 when she experienced a mechanical malfunction with her vehicle and pulled to the side of the road. There the vehicle caught fire and burned, also igniting grass in the west ditch.

Southbound traffic was reduced to one lane for approximately 45 minutes but the roadway remained open while the fire was extinguished.

No injuries.

10-20-2017 Tractor / semi crash in Barnes County

Time of Crash: 8:22 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 46 mm 64.5, ten miles east of Litchville.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2014 Peterbilt semi driven by 49 year old Leland Adamson of Sidney, Nebraska. He was charged with "Passing within 100 feet."

Vehicle #2 Description: 2012 Case IH Tractor, driven by 40 year old Derek Jungels of Kathryn, ND. He was charged with "Turn signal"

Circumstances: The driver of the Peterbilt was traveling westbound on Highway 46. The driver of the Case IH tractor was also westbound on Highway 46. The driver of the Peterbilt began to pass as the driver of the Case IH tractor was turning south onto 116th Ave SE. The Peterbilt struck the tractor in the intersection which is near mm 64.5 on Highway 46. The highway was blocked for a short period of time until the tractor was removed.

The driver of the tractor was transported by personal vehicle to the hospital for a cut above his nose and the Peterbilt driver was not injured.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

10-20-2017 Drug Bust in Grand Forks

On October 19th, at approximately 3:39 pm, a North Dakota Highway Patrol trooper stopped a vehicle for speeding on Interstate 29, in Grand Forks.

A Grand Forks Sheriff's Department K9 team was called to the scene. The K9 alerted to the vehicle where officers discovered ¼ pound of cocaine and 3 pounds of marijuana.

The driver, Ray Torres, St. Paul, MN and passenger, Richard Gamez, Richfield, MN were arrested for possession with the intent to deliver.

The incident remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

10-20-2017 Walsh County Bridge Collapse

On October 19th, at 10:03 am, the North Dakota Highway Patrol was contacted by Walsh County Sheriff's Office for assistance.

Approximately two miles northeast of Forest River, a bridge owned and maintained by Walsh County Highway Department had collapsed.

When troopers arrived on scene, they discovered a six-axle tractor trailer combination, driven by Melvin Armbrust of Forest River, had driven across a marked 11-ton bridge causing it to collapse and spill a majority of its load into the Forest River. Armbrust was not injured.

This incident remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

10-17-2017 Semis crash

Time of Crash: 4:43 p.m.

Location of Crash: Griggs County Rd. 26, a gravel road 7 miles west of Hannaford.

Vehicle #1: 2006 Peterbilt semi pulling a hopper bottom trailer, driven by 60 year old Patrick Kraemer of McHenry, ND

Vehicle #2: 2004 Peterbilt semi pulling a hopper bottom trailer, driven by 29 year old Taylor Rose of Wimbledon.

Circumstances: Kraemer was westbound in the 2006 Peterbilt while towing an empty hopper bottom semi-trailer.

Rose was eastbound in the 2004 Peterbilt while towing a loaded hopper bottom semi-trailer.

Visibility prior to the crash was greatly reduced due to calm conditions holding road dust in the air. Both trucks entered the area of reduced visibility. Drivers were unable to evade the crash prior to impact. Both truck/trailer combinations entered the north ditch and came to rest.

Cooperstown Ambulance Service arrived on scene. Both drivers were transported by ambulance to Cooperstown. Kraemer was flown to a Fargo Hospital by Sanford LifeFlight. Rose was flown to a Grand Forks hospital by Valley Med Flight. The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

VEHICLE FIRE AND ROAD CLOSURE

On Tuesday the 17th of October, the North Dakota Highway Patrol responded to a vehicle fire on Interstate 94 MP 75, 3 miles east of Gladstone. Hay bales being hauled by a westbound semi started on fire. The driver of the semi was able to disconnect his truck from the trailers and was not injured in the fire. The Gladstone and Taylor Fire Departments responded to the scene.

The westbound lanes of Interstate 94 were closed at the Taylor exit. Traffic was re-routed to Old Highway 10 to the Gladstone exit during the closure. The eastbound lanes of Interstate 94 were not shut down during this incident. The westbound lanes of Interstate 94 were shut down for approximately four hours until the fire was extinguished and the scene was cleared.

The Stark County Sheriff's Department and the North Dakota Department of Transportation assisted with the closure and the re-route of westbound traffic.

10-16-2017 Nelson County crash

Time of Crash: 7:30 a.m.

Location of Crash: Westbound US Hwy 2, three miles west of Niagara, ND

Vehicle Description: 1997 Audi A4 sedan driven by 20 year old Michael Stokes from Indianapolis, IN.

Circumstances: Stokes was driving the Audi west when the vehicle left the roadway and entered the north ditch. The vehicle struck a culvert and overturned.

Stokes was transported to Altru Hospital via ambulance with non-life-threatening injuries.

10-13-2017 Three vehicle crash in Stark County

Time of Crash: 2:30 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 22 and 42nd St SW. Three miles south of Dickinson

Vehicle #1: 2001 Ford F150 driven by 66 year old man from Scrnton.

Vehicle #2: 2011 Ford Escape driven by 31 year old female from Dickinson

Vehicle #3: 2016 Ford F250 driven by 68 year old man. There was one passenger, a 68 year old woman. Both occupants from New England.

Circumstances: The 2011 Ford Escape was waiting to turn east onto 42nd St SW from Highway 22 southbound. Another southbound vehicle, the 2001 Ford F150, rear ended the Ford Escape. Immediately after striking the left rear of the Escape, the F150 veered into the northbound lane of Highway 22.

A northbound 2016 F250 was then struck head-on by the F150. The driver from the F150 was flown to CHI St. Alexius in Bismarck with injuries. The driver and passenger of the F250 were taken by ambulance to CHI St. Alexius in Dickinson with injuries. All occupants involved in the crash were wearing their seat belts. The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

10-12-2017 Four vehicle crash on I-94 Red River Bridge

Time of Crash: 6:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 on the Fargo Red River Bridge

Vehicle #1: 2012 Dodge Durango driven by 24 year old Joshua Melvin from Moorhead.

Vehicle #2: 2012 Jeep Liberty driven 40 year old Darin Livdahl

Vehicle #3: 2007 Honda Pilot driven by 68 year old Jacqueline Ulstad of Fargo

Vehicle #4: 2003 Chevrolet Monte Carlo driven by 22 year old Gabrielle Ruddy of Stacy, MN

Traffic was slowed down due to a two vehicle crash that occurred on the Minnesota side of the Red River Bridge. The 2012 Jeep Liberty, 2007 Honda Pilot and 2003 Chevrolet Monte Carlo, were all in the right lane, stuck in this traffic.

The 2012 Dodge Durango struck the rear of the 2012 Jeep Liberty and pushed it into the 2007 Honda Pilot. The 2007 Honda Pilot, in turn was pushed into the 2003 Chevrolet Monte Carlo. The driver of the 2012 Dodge Durango was cited for failing to maintain control of a motor vehicle while distracted. (distracted driving) There were no injuries as a result of this crash.

10-06-2017 Bottineau County fatality accident

Time of accident: 8:20 p.m.

Location of accident: Hwy #5, 17 miles west of Bottineau

Vehicle: 1998 Chevy Suburban driven by 51 year old Jeffrey Shriver of Bottineau.

Circumstances: Shriver was eastbound on Highway 5 from Mohall to Bottineau. His vehicle began to enter south ditch. Shriver turned left then overcorrected (turned right) and began to enter the south ditch sideways. The vehicle overturned several times in the ditch and driver was ejected. The vehicle came to rest on all four tires in a field facing in the direction of west. Shriver was not wearing a seatbelt. The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

10-06-2017 Injury Crash in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 11:07 a.m.

Location of Crash: County Road 5. One-half mile north of 32nd Ave S

Vehicle Description: a farm truck, driven by 49 year old Patricia Obryant of Buxton ND.

Circumstances: A farm truck hauling sugar beets was northbound on Grand Forks County Road 5 approximately 1/2 mile north of 32nd Ave. S. The driver of the truck lost control of the truck, causing it to tip on to its driver side.

The driver of the truck was transported to Altru Hospital in Grand Forks by Altru Ambulance personnel. Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department was on scene to assist with traffic control. The accident is currently under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

10-5-2017 Pickup Train Accident in Wells County

Time of Crash: 7:15 a.m.

Location of Crash: 11 miles NW of New Rockford on 58th Ave NE

Vehicle Description: 1999 Chevy pickup driven by 61 year old David Irmen from Cathay.

Circumstances: The male driver of the pickup was traveling north bound to work on 58th Ave NE when he failed to yield for a west bound BNSF Train. The pickup was struck on the passenger's side, which caused the pickup to roll into the north ditch of the railroad right of way. The male driver of the pickup was deceased at the scene.

There were no injuries reported by the Railroad staff.

The crash is still under investigation by the NDHP

10-4-2017 Williams County Fatal Accident

Time of Accident 12:45 p.m.

Location of accident: Hwy 2, three miles North of Williston

Vehicle #1 Description: 2003 Peterbilt Semi driven by 24 year old Matthew Williams of Moultrie, Georgia.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2003 Honda Odyssey driven by an 83 year old adult male from Williston.

Circumstances: The North Dakota Highway Patrol, along with the Williams County Sheriff's office, investigated the following accident:

A 2003 Honda Odyssey was traveling west bound on 60th Ave NW. A 2003 Peterbilt semi was traveling north on US Hwy 2. The Honda proceeded to travel west, crossing the north bound lanes of US Hwy 2. The Honda was stuck by the Peterbilt on the drivers' side causing the Honda to spin counter clockwise and enter the median. The Honda came to a rest upright, facing east in the median. The semi continued north and came to a rest upright on the west shoulder of the north bound lanes, facing north. The driver of the Honda was transported to St. Alexius Hospital in Williston where he was declared deceased.

This accident remains under investigation by the NDHP. The name of the deceased driver will be released tomorrow pending next-of-kin notification. No charges have been filed at this time.

9-29-2017 Sugar beet truck accident in Walsh County

Time of accident: 1:05 p.m.

Location of accident: Five miles northeast of Grafton

Vehicle description: 1984 Ford straight truck loaded with sugar beets.
Driven by 49 year old Shane Bushta of Grafton.

Circumstances: Bushta was driving the truck east on 72nd St NE when the vehicle left the roadway, entered the south ditch, and overturned.

Bushta was transported by ambulance to Altru Hospital in Grand Forks with injuries.

The load of sugar beets was spilled but traffic was not affected.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

09-29-2017 Injury crash on I-94

Time of Crash: 11:15 p.m.

Location of Crash: on Interstate 94, ½ mile east of Tappen in Kidder County

Vehicle #1 Description: 2014 Mazda sedan driven by 51 year old Michelle Colly of Massillon, Ohio.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2003 Toyota Corolla driven by 61 year old Joseph Charles of Hyde Park, NY.

Colly and Charles were both traveling west on I-94. Colly drove in to the back of Charles's vehicle. Charles entered the north ditch and overturned. Colly entered the median of the interstate.

Both driver's sustained injuries as a result of the crash and were transported by ambulance to Sanford Hospital, Bismarck. Both were wearing seatbelts. The accident remains under investigation by the ND Highway Patrol. Charges will be considered against Colly.

09-23-2017

Time of Crash: 12:20 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 83 & Hwy 37 Intersection. Six miles East of Garrison

Vehicle #1 Description: 2010 Ford Expedition Patrol Vehicle driven by 39 year old Craig Dean Salhus of Underwood.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2015 Ford F350 pickup driven by 75 year old Charles Schollmeyer of Dunn Center.

The North Dakota Highway Patrol Investigated the following injury accident on Saturday, September 23, 2017:

A McLean county deputy was responding from Garrison to a call in Turtle Lake, traveling east on highway 37, with his emergency lights activated. The deputy was in the process of crossing highway 83 when his Expedition struck a Ford F350 traveling north on highway 83 from Dunn Center to Velva. The Expedition rotated counterclockwise and entered the ditch to the northeast of the intersection.

The Expedition continued through the ditch before coming to a rest, upright, facing northeast. The F350 rotated counterclockwise and began to overturn while entering the east ditch. The F350 stuck a light pole, a highway 83 sign and continued to overturn. The F350 overturned twice before coming to a rest in the east ditch, upright, facing west. Both drivers were transported to the Garrison hospital and the driver of the F350 was airlifted to Trinity hospital from Garrison due to his injuries.

This accident remains under investigation by the NDHP. No charges have been filed at this time.

09-19-2017 Fatal accident in Bottineau County

Time of accident: 11:00 a.m.

Location of accident: two miles north of Newburg on 9h Ave NW

Circumstances: 39 year old Joseph Henry and his three year old son, Burke Henry, were traveling south bound on 9th Ave NW towards Newburg, ND in a John Deere 8960 tractor pulling a Gates coulter disk. Burke Henry was riding inside the cab of the tractor when the left side door opened. Burke fell from the moving tractor and was run over by the left rear tires of the tractor. Burke Henry was pronounced deceased at the scene.

This accident remains under investigating by the Highway Patrol

09-18-2017 Williams County motorcycle accident

Location of Crash: 6 miles west, 2 miles north of Williston

Vehicle Description: 2012 Polaris Razor driven by 19 year old Austin Mortenson of Williston.

Mortenson was traveling east on 59th St NW when his vehicle left roadway to the north and overturned in the north ditch. Mortenson was ejected from the vehicle to the east. Mortenson and the vehicle came to a rest in a field to the north of the roadway. Mortenson was transported to St. Alexius medical center in Williston and then flown to Trinity hospital in Minot, ND. Mortenson was originally called in as a missing person around 1100 pm but was later found by a friend around 0100 am. The time of the crash is unknown.

09-18-2017 Fatal crash in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 9:15 p.m.

Location of crash: Grand Forks Co. Rd. 14, ½ mile east of Larimore

Vehicle #1 Description: 2005 Chevrolet Silverado pickup driven by 43 year old Paul Lilja of Larimore. He was charge with DUI.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2017 Victory motorcycle driven by 58 year old Allen Miller of Petersburg, ND.

Circumstances: Lilja was driving the Chevrolet east on Grand Forks County Road 4 and turned left into a driveway, turning immediately in front of Miller on the westbound motorcycle. The Chevrolet and motorcycle struck head-on. The motorcycle entered the north ditch and overturned, ejecting Miller.

Lilja was uninjured and was arrested for DUI.

Miller died at the scene.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

09-18-2017 Fatal crash in Slope County

Time of incident: 9:30 a.m.

Location of incident: Hwy 21, 9 miles west of New England

Vehicle Description: 2010 International semi truck driven by 62 year Robert Lugan from Houston, TX.

Circumstances: The driver was traveling westbound on Highway 21 en route to Watford City from Houston, TX. The vehicle was pulling a flatbed trailer loaded with pipe. It left the roadway and entered the north ditch. The driver of Vehicle #1 attempted to bring the vehicle back onto the roadway but it began to roll in the north ditch. The semi came to rest in the north ditch on its roof facing the west.

The driver was wearing his seat belt at the time. He was pronounced deceased at the scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

09-15-2017 Truck tires strike cargo van

Time of incident: 9:00 a.m.

Location of incident: I-94 mile marker 258 at Jamestown

Vehicle #1 Description: 2000 Peterbilt pulling a semi-trailer driven by 62 year old Daryl Scobee of Jamestown.

Vehicle #2 Descriptin: 2006 GMC Cargo Truck driven by 50 year old Bakytbek Sheraliev of Philadelphia, PA.

Circumstances: The 2000 Peterbilt driven by Scobee was merging eastbound onto I-94 at Jamestown when a set of dual tires separated from the trailer axle. The semi stopped on the eastbound shoulder a short distance later. The tires continued across the median and struck the front of the 2006 GMC cargo van driven by Sheraliev. The cargo van slowed and stopped on the westbound exit.

The Peterbilt had minor damage. The Cargo Truck had extensive damage to the left side of the front.

No charges were cited. The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

09-12-2017 Dump truck power line accident

Time of accident: 10 a.m.

Location of accident: 50 miles northwest of Jamestown on Hwy. 52

Vehicle Description: 2001 Sterling dump truck driven by 58 year old Dale Laib of New Rockford.

Charges: Care Required

Circumstances: The dump truck driven by Laib was southbound on a frontage road along Highway 52 from a gravel stockpile yard a ½ mile northwest of Jamestown.

Laib failed to lower the dump box upon leaving the yard. Four overhead power lines were struck. Two severed lines came to rest across both the north and southbound lanes of Highway 52.

Both north and southbound traffic was diverted onto a nearby frontage road. Highway 52 was shut down for 3 ½ hours until the power lines and a pole support brace were replaced.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

09-09-2017 Fatality crash in Rolette County

Time of Crash: 7:57 p.m.

Location of Crash: Rolette County Road 43, 1.5 miles west of St. John

Vehicle #1 Description: 2013 Cadillac Escalade driven by 56 year old Kevin Borud of Minot. One passenger 60 year old Renne Murphy from Minot.

Vehicle #2: 2004 Honda ATV driven by 18 year old Dylan Larocque of St. John. One passenger: 18 year old female, also from St. John.

Vehicle #3: 2016 Polaris ATV driven by 18 year old Barry Decoteau of St. John.

Circumstances: Mr Larocque's ATV had mechanical problems and was stalled on the edge of county road 43 (West Bound), Mr Decoteau had hooked up his winch in order to tow the vehicle to another location. As they were preparing to leave they were struck by Mr Borud who was traveling west bound on the county road.

The female passenger was deceased at the scene. Mr Decoteau was uninjured, Mr Larocque suffered non-life threatening injuries.

This crash is still under investigation by the NDHP.

9-09-2017 Injury crash on I-29 in Traill County

Time of Crash: 4:27 p.m.

Location of Crash: Interstate 29, two miles south of Buxton

Vehicle #1 Description: 2012 Ford Escape SUV driven by 67 year old Gerald Wayne Hill of Fargo. Hill was wearing his seatbelt.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2017 Nissan Maxima driven by 29 year old female from Grand Forks. Driver was wearing her seatbelt.

Circumstances: The driver of Vehicle #1, was southbound on Interstate 29. Near milepost 116, the driver of Vehicle #1 intentionally crossed the median and caused a collision with a northbound vehicle traveling in the opposite direction.

The drivers of both vehicles were injured and transported to Altru hospital in Grand Forks by ambulance. The driver of Vehicle #1 was arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and will also be charged with Felony Reckless Endangerment.

09-09-2017 One vehicle crash in Traill County

Time of Crash: 9:49 a.m.

Location of Crash: Interstate 29, one mile north of Buxton

Vehicle Description: Silver 2014 Ford Edge SUV driven by 62 year old David Jorgenson of St. Thomas. One passenger: 63 year old Lynnette Jorgenson also of St. Thomas. Both were wearing seatbelts.

Circumstances: Vehicle was southbound on Interstate 29 near milepost 119. The driver suffered from some type of medical emergency, unintentionally drove off the roadway, and struck a tree at highway speed. Both occupants were injured in the crash and brought to Altru Hospital in Grand Forks by ambulance.

09-09-2017 Train/pickup crash

Time of Crash: 1:49 p.m.

Location of Crash: 1.5 miles west of Des Lacs, ND in Ward County

Circumstances: A 2015 Ford F350 Pickup driven by 74 year old male from Hollandale, MN, was traveling southbound on 198th St. NW, en route from a nearby farm where the driven was involved in a custom combining operation. The driver of the vehicle failed to yield to an eastbound Burlington Northern train and was struck on the passenger side.

The train came to rest approximately one mile from the intersection of where the pickup was struck. The pickup remained attached to the train the entire way. The driver was pronounced dead at the scene. The driver was not wearing a seatbelt.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

09-05-2017 Fatal crash in Mountrail County

Time of Crash: 9:08 a.m.

Location of Crash 14 miles west of Berthold on US Hwy. 2

Circumstances: A 1997 Chevrolet pickup driven by Timothy Bartsch was traveling west on US Hwy 2 from Rugby, ND to Stanley, ND. Near mile marker 109 the pickup entered the north ditch and traveled a short distance before reentering the traffic lane. The driver lost control of the vehicle and it rolled onto its right side. Bartsch was ejected out the driver side window and found lying face down on the south shoulder by a passing motorist. Bartsch was transported to the Trinity Hospital by Berthold Ambulance where he was pronounced dead.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

09-01-2017 Burke County fatal accident

Time of Crash: 9:32 p.m.

Location of Crash: Short Creek Recreation Area, 7 miles north of Columbus, ND in Burke County.

Vehicle: Yamaha ATV driven, Gavyn Dimmick, age 11, from Crosby, ND.

The following accident was investigated by the NDHP and Burke Co Sheriff's Office:

An 11 year old male was driving a Yamaha ATV in the Short Creek Recreation area, 7 miles north of Columbus, ND. While riding in a sloped, grass covered area, the ATV rolled over and came to rest upside down, on top of the rider. The male was discovered by his father, who called 911. A member of the Portal Fire Dept was present at the nearby campground and attempted CPR for 20 min, but was unable to resuscitate the driver. The driver was pronounced deceased at the scene of the accident.

The driver's name will be released Saturday evening.

09-01-2017 Injury crash near Minto

Time of Crash: 10:45 a.m.

Locatin of Crash: Walsh County Raod 15, 1.5 miles west of Minto

Vehicle Description: 199 Volvo truck with trailer loaded with sugar beets driven by 20 year old Brandy Garza of Grafton. Passenger: 19 year old Juan Benavidez of Grafton.

Neither occupant was wearing a seatbelt.

Circumstances: Garza was driving west on Walsh County Road 15 when the vehicle's right side wheels left the roadway. Attempts to correct the vehicle were unsuccessful and the vehicle overturned, spilling its load of sugar beets and coming to rest on its side in the roadway.

Garza and Benavidez sustained minor injuries but were not transported by ambulance.

The roadway was obstructed for approximately 2.5 hours until the vehicle was removed and beets cleared.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

08-30-2017 Injury crash in Rolette County

Time of Crash: 8:29 p.m.

Location of Crash: County Road 43, three miles west of St. John

Vehicle Description: 2013 Harley Davidson Screaming Eagle driven by 40 year old Craig Lunday of Belcourt.

Circumstances: Lunday was traveling eastbound on Rolette County Road 43 when he failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway. The motorcycle entered the south ditch and struck a road approach. Lunday was ejected from the motorcycle and came to rest in the ditch.

08-29-2017 Fatal Crash near New Town

Time of Crash: 11:39 a.m.

Location of Crash: Highway 23, one mile east of New Town in Mountrail County.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2013 Chevrolet Spark driven by 31 year old Christian Wolf of New Town.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2009 Ford F150 driven by 59 year old Sheila Winkleman from Seligman, Missouri

Circumstances: The Chevrolet was westbound and the Ford eastbound on N.D. Highway 23. The Chevrolet crossed the center line and struck the Ford head-on in the right eastbound lane.

Wolf died on scene. Winkleman was transported to Minot for medical treatment.

Both drivers were wearing seatbelts.

08-25-2017 South Heart Fatality

Time of Crash: 4:46 p.m.

Location of Crash: 11 miles southwest of South Heart in Stark Co.

Vehicle Description: 2008 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 driven by 67 year old Niles D. Feininger from Dickinson.

Circumstances: Niles Feininger was traveling northbound on 122nd Ave SW near the intersection of 49th St SW. Feininger's vehicle left the roadway and entered the east ditch. Feininger attempted to bring the vehicle back onto the roadway but over corrected. Feininger's vehicle crossed the roadway and entered the west ditch and then back towards the east ditch where it began to roll. Feininger's vehicle rolled into the east ditch where it came to rest.

Niles Feininger was not wearing his seat belt and was ejected from the vehicle. Niles Feininger was pronounced deceased at the scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

08-24-2017 Injury crash on I-94 in Cass County

Time of Crash: 8:30 a.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 eastbound, mile marker 350, just east of 25th St. in Fargo

Vehicle #1 Description: 1999 Dodge Caravan driven by 25 year old Elizabeth Merkel of Moorhead. Safety Restraints: seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 2006 Freightliner with trailer driven by 9 year old Lee Eken of Ada, MN.

Vehicle #3 Description: 2011 Ford Escape driven by 56 year old Barbara Olson of West Fargo

Vehicle #4 Description: 2016 Ford Explorer driven by 34 year old Nicole Anderson of West Fargo.

Vehicle #5: Description: 2013 Hyundai Sonata driven by 23 year old Courtney Jacobson of West Fargo.

Circumstances: The Dodge was eastbound on I-94 when the driver noticed traffic ahead slowing. The 2011 Ford, 2016 Ford, and Hyundai were stopped ahead of the Dodge. The Freightliner was eastbound in the middle lane. The Dodge driver steered left and braked to avoid rear-ending the vehicles ahead but was unable to avoid a collision. The Dodge struck the Freightliner's trailer in the middle lane. The Dodge then struck the Hyundai and the 2011 Ford. The 2011 Ford was pushed into the 2016 Ford.

Merkel sustained minor injury but declined medical assistance. No one else was injured. Merkel was charged with following too close.

08-23-2017 Fatal crash in Mountrail County

Time of Crash: 8:27 p.m.

Location of Crash: 2 miles SW of White Earth in Mountrail County

Vehicle Description: 2006 Chevy Trailblazer driven by 15 year old Skyler Bagley from Tioga. Passengers: 17 year old Tanner Bagley and 12 year old Crystal Bagley and 13 year old Shaianne Durfee, all of Tioga.

Circumstances: The vehicle was traveling westbound on a gravel township road from a rural residence by White Earth en route to Tioga. The vehicle failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway and the driver began to lose control of the vehicle. The vehicle began to fishtail side to side and slid partially in the north ditch and overturned. The vehicle came to rest on its roof facing in a southwest direction.

The driver and the two other passengers who were not using seat belts were all ejected. Tanner Bagley did not survive the crash.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

08-22-2017 Fatal crash in Burleigh County

Time of Crash: 8:43 a.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, mile marker 159 in Bismarck

Vehicle Description: 2012 GMC Sierra driven Roger Erhardt of Mandan

Circumstances: The GMC was eastbound on I-94 near mile marker 159, west of Exit 159. The GMC left the roadway and drove through the median, then crossed the westbound lanes of I-94 and entered the north ditch. The GMC continued through the ditch, struck a fence, and continued, striking an empty jet ski trailer in a private parking lot north of the interstate fence. The driver of the GMC was transported to a Bismarck hospital where he died.

The driver of the GMC was experiencing a medical condition at the time of the crash.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

08-21-2017 Fatality Crash in Ward County

Time of Crash: 6:15 p.m.

Location of Crash: 1 mile north of Makoti

Vehicle #1 Description: 2006 Chevrolet Impala driven by 49 year old David Whitetail of Whiteshield. Passenger 16 year old Destiny Black and 14 year old Kaeleigh Cvanaugh, 13 year old Sybert Yellowbear, all of White Shield. David and Destiny were wearing seatbelts. Kaeleigh and Sybert were not wearing seatbelts.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2010 Dodge Ram driven by 25 year old Hector Moreno of Minot. Passener: 42 year old Guadalupe Morales of Minot. Both were wearing seatbelts.

Circumstances: he Chevrolet was southbound on Ward County Road 9. The Dodge was eastbound on N.D. Highway 23. At the intersection of the two roads, the Chevrolet driver failed to stop at the stop sign. The Dodge struck the passenger's side door and front quarter panel of the Chevrolet. The Chevrolet spun counterclockwise before coming to rest on the shoulder. The Dodge overturned and came to rest on its side in the ditch.

The Impala driver died on scene. The two female passengers were airlifted to Minot for medical treatment. The third male passenger was transported to Minot by family for a medical exam.

Both occupants in the Dodge were transported by ambulance to Minot for medical treatment.

08-20-2017 Fatal Accident in Williams County

Time of Crash: 8:00 a.m.

Location of Crash: 1 miles east of County Roads 9 and 7 in Williams County

Circumstances: The North Dakota Highway Patrol along with the Williams County Sheriff's Department investigated the following crash:

Conditions of the accident are unclear: It appears 69 year old Clarence Cunningham of Grand Rapids, Michigan, got out of his truck and the truck began to roll. Mr. Cunningham attempted to get back into the truck and fell off the running board. He was run over by the truck and was killed.

The vehicle continued on, striking a barrier at a well site, coming to rest facing NE.

NUMEROUS ACCIDENT REPORTS BETWEEN JULY 12 – AUGUST 19, 2017, ARE NOT CITED HERE.

07-11-2017 Injury crash in Steele County

Time of Crash: 7:16 a.m.

Location of Crash: Steele County Road 1 and 137th Ave SE 10 miles west of Galesberg

Vehicle #1: 2011 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 23 year old Ryan Ust of Portland. Seatbelts were used, airbag deployed.

Vehicle #2: 2012 Chevrolet Malibu driven by 37 year old Bekka Dahl of Page. One juvenile passenger, an eight year old boy. Seatbelts were used, airbag deployed.

Circumstances: A white Chevrolet Malibu was traveling westbound on Steele CR 1 when it approached the intersection with 137th Ave SE where a silver Chevrolet Silverado was traveling southbound. The Silverado was required to yield the right of way according to signs, but failed to do so and struck the Malibu. The front of the Silverado struck the passenger side of the Malibu. The Malibu left the roadway to the Southwest and came to rest upright on the edge of a corn in the Southwest corner of the intersection facing south by southwest.

The juvenile passenger was taken by life flight to Sanford Hospital in Fargo, and Ms. Dahl was taken by Hope Ambulance. The Silverado also left the roadway to the southwest and entered a corn field in the Southwest corner of the intersection. The Silverado overturned upon leaving the roadway, but came to rest upright facing north. Mr. Ust was taken to a medical facility via a personal vehicle.

On July 12, eight year old Branden Dahl died from injuries sustained in the crash.

07-10-2017 DUI accident in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 6:12 p.m.

Location of Crash: Northbound I-29, exit ramp at Gateway Drive

Vehicle #1: 2015 Ford F150 pickup driven by 22 year old Mason Fugleberg of Grand Forks.

Vehicle #2: 2008 Chrysler Town & Country Mini van driven by 30 year old female from Devils Lake

Circumstances: Vehicle #2 had exited I29 at Gateway Drive and was stopped at the traffic signal waiting to turn left at the junction of the northbound off ramp and Gateway Drive. Vehicle #1 had been eastbound on Gateway Drive. For reasons unknown, Fugleberg made a right hand turn the wrong way onto the one way exit ramp. He struck vehicle #2 while he made the turn. While he was doing this, a walking pedestrian was nearly struck. Fugleberg did not immediately stop after this occurred and he continued southbound in the wrong way down the offramp into oncoming traffic. Fugleberg pulled over and was confronted by one of the passengers of vehicle #2. That occupant was able to identify that Fugleberg was impaired and got the keys away from him until law enforcement arrived. Fugleberg was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. The minivan was occupied by three small children as well as two adults. No one was injured during the crash. The crash is under investigation by the ND Highway Patrol

07-10-2017 Injury crash near Page

Time of Crash: 4:34 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 38 and junction of Cass 26 in Page

Vehicle #1: 2017 Audi Q5 driven by 56 year old Tormod Gulbrandsen of Kongsvinger, Norway. One passenger, 22 year old Lars Gulbrandsen.

Vehicle #2: 2017 Kenworth truck pulling two Timpco trailers driven by 33 year old Brandon Funk of Finley

Circumstances: The driver of the Kenworth truck was traveling Northbound on Highway 38. The driver of the Audi was crossing Highway 38 from the west and heading east on Cass County 26. The Kenworth truck was struck by the Audi in the driver side of truck and trailers in the northbound lane of highway 38. The Kenworth continued into the north east ditch of the intersection rolling onto its top facing with the truck facing southeast and the trailers facing northeast. The Audi came to rest facing southwest on the southbound shoulder in the northeast corner of the intersection. Audi was on east/west roadway controlled by a stop sign.

All occupants were transported by ambulance to Sanford Health in Fargo to be treated for injuries.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

7-07-2017 Injury crash in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 11:40 a.m.

Location of Cfrash: ND Hwy 32, three miles southwest of Fordville

Vehicle #1: 2005 Kenworth with gravel trailer driven by 25 year old Benancio Martine of Rio Grande City, TX

Vehicle #2: 1994 Freightliner with enclosed trailer driven by 61 year old Perry Brintnell of Fordville. He was charged with failure to yield.

Circumstances: Martinez was driving south on ND Highway 32.

Brintnell entered Highway 32, backing from a field approach on the west side of the highway. The front of Martinez's vehicle struck the front right of Brintnell's vehicle. Both vehicles then left the roadway and went into the ditch.

Martinez sustained minor injuries and was not transported by ambulance. Brintnell was transported by ambulance to Altru Hospital, Grand Forks

07-06-2017 Injury crash in Pembina County

Time of Crash: 6:55 a.m.

Location of Crash: 4 miles northeast of Walhalla on Co Rd. 55

Vehicle Description: Dark blue 2003 Dodge Durango driven by 17 year old juvenile male of Wales, ND, who was injured. Safety restraints: Seatbelt & airbags.

The vehicle was west bound on Co. Rd 55, coming from Pembina, traveling to Wales. For reasons unknown, the vehicle crossed the roadway to the left. The driver overcorrected back to the right and lost control. The vehicle rolled over in the south ditch and landed on its roof. The driver received non-life threatening injuries and was transported to the hospital in Cavalier by ambulance. This crash remains under investigation by the ND Highway Patrol.



NEWS RELEASE

NORTH DAKOTA HIGHWAY PATROL
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Bismarck, ND 58505-0240

Chain Reaction Rear-End Collision I-94 in Morton Co.

On July 4, a five-vehicle chain reaction collision occurred on Interstate 94 in Morton County. At 5:30 p.m., the Lexus, Ford, Nissan Altima, and Nissan Murano were stopped on the Grant Marsh Bridge eastbound lane. The Peterbilt was also traveling east behind the vehicles. When the Peterbilt driver saw traffic was stopped, he attempted to stop but was unable. The Peterbilt struck the rear of the Lexus, causing a chain reaction rear-end collision involving the other vehicles.

I-94 eastbound lanes were closed for an hour. Responding agencies included Morton County Sheriff's Department, Mandan PD, Bismarck Fire and Metro Ambulance, and the NDHP.

Road conditions: Wet concrete in construction zone

Vehicle 1

2007 Peterbilt

Driver: Bert Damm, 57, seat belt, Billings, MT, Care Required

Passenger: Trevor Aho, 8, restraints unknown, Billings, MT

Vehicle 2

2013 Lexus RX350 , heavy damage front and rear

Driver: Nathan Heath, 38, injured, seat belt, Center, ND

Pass: Tessa Heath, 38, injured, seat belt, Lithia, FL

Pass: Aden Heath, 2, injured, car seat, Lithia, FL

Pass: Jacob Heath, 6, injured, booster seat, Lithia, FL

Pass: Addison Heath, 10, injured, seat belt, Lithia, FL

All passengers were transported to local hospital for treatment of minor injuries

Vehicle 3

2015 Ford Escape, front and rear damage

Driver: Dinah Hillard, 52, injured, seat belt, Center, ND

Pass: David Hillard, 51, seat belt, Center, ND

The driver was transported for medical treatment

Vehicle 4

2015 Nissan Altima, front and rear damage

Driver: Kenneth Grimm, 57, seat belt, Bismarck, ND

Vehicle 5

2009 Nissan Murano, rear damage

Driver: Robert Blotske, 69, seat belt, Bismarck, ND

Pass: Theodora Blotske, 69, seat belt, Bismarck, ND

07-04-2017 Grant Marsh minor injury

Time of Crash: 2:57 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-04, Burleigh County

Vehicle #1 Description: 1995 Mercury Villager mini van driven by 52 year old James Thomas Sullivan of Dilworth, MN who was not injured.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2013 Kia Soul driven by 24 year old Sabrina Rae Urwiller of Bismarck with two juvenile passengers, a 4 year old boy and a 5 year old female. The juvenile passengers were injured.

All occupants of both vehicles were using safety restraints.

Circumstances: Driver of Unit 1 was traveling west on I-94 from Dilworth to Killdeer. Driver of unit 2 was traveling west on I-94 from Bismarck - Mandan. Driver of unit 2 stopped for traffic that was stopped in a construction zone. Driver of vehicle 1 was following too close and unable to stop. Vehicle 1 rear ended vehicle 2, both vehicles came to rest on the roadway. Westbound traffic was stopped and diverted to exit 157 for approximately 5 minutes and then reopened.

Both juveniles were transported via private party to local ER. They were treated and released.

07-04-2017 Rear end collision, Ramsey County

Time of Crash: 2:20 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 2, three miles east of Devils Lake

Vehicle #1 Description: 2015 Chrysler 200 driven by 19 year old Keenan Devier of Crary, ND, who was injured.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2014 Lincoln Navigator pulling 91' Forester Pontoon, driven by 47 year old Terrence Frelich of Devils Lake. Frelich was not injured.

Both drivers were wearing seatbelts.

Circumstances: Driver of Unit 1 was traveling west bound on USHY 2 in the left lane. Driver of Unit 2 was traveling west bound on USHY 2 and was slowing to make a left turn from the left lane. Driver of Unit 1 was following too close and was unable to stop, striking the rear left pontoon of the Forester pontoon that was being pulled by Unit 2. Unit 1 entered the center median, struck the median cross over and became airborne. Unit 1 came to rest facing east in the median of USHY 2. The pontoon trailer lights were not operating at the time of the crash.

07-01-2017 Injury rollover accident in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 8:30 p.m.

Location of Crash: 5 miles west of Grand Forks on Co. Rd. 4

Vehicle Description: Black 2000 Dodge Durango driven by 29 year old Marquais De Anthony Burns of Grand Forks. Burns was injured, not wearing safety restraints.

On 07-01-2017 at approximately 2030 hours, Burns was traveling west bound from Grand Forks, ND to Emerado, ND via Grand Forks County Hwy 4. Mr Burns was driving too fast for the conditions and entered the north ditch rolling his vehicle multiple times. The vehicle came to rest in the north ditch.

Mr Burns was transported to Altru with non life threatening injuries.

He was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and driving with a suspended driver's status.

This crash is still under investigation by the NDHP.

07-02-2017 Rollover accident in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 8:30 p.m.

Location of Crash: five miles west of Grand Forks on Co. Rd. 4

Vehicle Description: Black 2000 Dodge Durango driven by 29 year old Marquais de Anthony Burns of Grand forks, who was injured. He was not wearing safety restraints. He was charged with DUI and DUS.

Circumstances: Burns was traveling west bound from Grand Forks, ND to Emerado, ND via Grand Forks County Hwy 4. Mr Burns was driving too fast for the conditions and entered the north ditch rolling his vehicle multiple times. The vehicle came to rest in the north ditch.

Mr Burns was transported to Altru with Non life threatening injuries.

He was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and driving with a suspended drivers status.

This crash is still under investigation by the NDH

07-01-2017 Motorcycle accident in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 7:50 p.m.

Location of Crsh: one-half mile south of Inkster (38th St NE)

Vehicle Description: 1993 Harley Davidson, Flht Classic, driven by 27 year old Daniel Gene Jallo of Grnd Forks who was injured.

Circumstances: Jallo was traveling southbound on 38th St NE from Inkster when he lost control on the gravel at an unknown speed. Vehicle left the roadway and entered the east ditch where the motorcycle rolled and driver was thrown. Both Jallo and the motorcycle came to rest in the east ditch. Jallo was transported to Altru Hospital with serious injuries. Jallo was not wearing a helmet.



NEWS RELEASE

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07-01-2017 Pedestrian/Train incident in Dickinson

On Saturday morning, July 01, 2017, the North Dakota Highway Patrol responded to a call of a pedestrian that had been struck by a train in the train yard near downtown Dickinson during the Roughrider Days Parade. The 64 year old male was walking southbound from Villard to an unknown location. The BNSF train was traveling eastbound en route to Mandan. The male pedestrian walked in front of the train and was struck by the train.

The male pedestrian, Michael Thorstad, was pronounced dead at the scene. No one was injured in the train.

Other agencies assisting in this incident were the Dickinson Police Department, Stark County Sheriff's Department, Dickinson Fire Department and the Dickinson Ambulance.

The name of the deceased will be released upon notification of next of kin. This incident remains under investigation by the ND Highway Patrol.

06-24-2017 Fatal rollover accident in McLean County

Time of Crash: 5:26 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 83, two and a half miles south of Underwood.

Vehicle Description: 2006 Honda Accord driven by 17 year old male of Mandan with passengers 19 year old Manhattan Spangler of Bismarck and 20 year old Michael Westphal of Bismarck. The driver and Spangler were injured. Westphal did not survive the crash.

Circumstances: The Honda was southbound on Highway 83, 2.5 miles south of Underwood. The driver's attention was distracted and the vehicle hit the rumble strips. The driver overcorrected and lost control of the vehicle. The Honda entered the west ditched and rolled.

All three occupants were ejected. One passenger died on scene. The others were transported by Ambulance to Bismarck for medical treatment.

This crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

06-02-2017 Fatal motorcycle accident near Ruthville.

Time of Accident 3:08 p.m.

Location of Accident: US 83 and Ward County Rd 8

Vehicle #1 Description: 2005 Toyota Camry driven by 57 year old Thomas Leier of Minot. Lier was wearing seatbelt. Charged with Failure to yield.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2007 Yamaha Sport Bike driven by 27 year old male from Minot.

Vehicle one (Leier) was traveling east on Ward County Road 8 from Lake Darling. Vehicle two was traveling south bound on US 83 from the Minot Air Force Base. Leier failed to yield to vehicle two when crossing US 83 at the intersection of US 2 and Ward County Rd. 8. Vehicle two braked, and attempted to move into the left lane to avoid collision. Leier struck the motorcycle with the drivers side front corner. The driver was thrown from the motorcycle, and came to rest in the intersection. The motorcycle came to rest in the south median facing west on its left side. The motorcycle driver did not survive the accident.

June 2, 2017

Motor Vehicle Pursuit

On Friday, June 2nd, 2017, at approximately 5:34 pm, the North Dakota Highway Patrol responded to a report of a reckless vehicle, northbound on Interstate 29, approximately 23 miles south of Grand Forks. Other motorists reported that the vehicle was traveling in excess of 100 miles per hour, and was almost running other motorists off the road.

A Trooper located the vehicle, and attempted a traffic stop on it. The vehicle, a black SUV, fled from the Trooper north to Grand Forks where it exited at Demers Avenue. Law enforcement lost sight of the fleeing vehicle, but were directed to it by citizens and other motorists.

The suspect vehicle eventually blew a tire at the 5100 block of University Avenue, became disabled, and the four occupants fled on foot into the Gateway Terrace Mobile Home Park. Law enforcement set up a security perimeter around Gateway Terrance, and officers searched on foot for the suspects.

Again, with the assistance of citizens, law enforcement was able to locate, identify, and apprehend the four suspects. At approximately 6:30pm, the situation was resolved and all four suspects were transported to the Grand Forks County Jail. The suspects were identified as:

- Joey Matthew Short, 29 year old male, Fargo, ND
- Danny Jay DeLong (the driver), 33 year old male, of Belcourt, ND
- Christa Autumn Rose Davis, 21 year old female, of Fargo, ND
- Waylon Edward DeLong, 35 year old male, of Belcourt, ND

The North Dakota Highway Patrol would like to thank the numerous citizens that assisted in the eventual apprehension of these suspects. We would also like to thank the Grand Forks Police Department, Sheriffs Department, and the University of North Dakota Police Department.

the list. It is updated once daily, or as news releases are received.

05-31-2017 Accident in Morton County

Time of Crash: 6:09 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 6 mile point 49

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Toyota Camry driven by 73 year old Joann Ozbun of Flasher. Ozbun was wearing a seatbelt.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2008 Ford F-150 driven by 31 year old Brad Gardner of Mandan. Gardner was wearing a seatbelt.

Driver 1, Joann Ozbun was traveling southbound on Highway 6 behind Driver 2, Brad Gardner. Gardner had slowed down to make a left turn off Highway 6 onto 59th St., near mile point 49. Gardner had turned into the northbound lane just before 59th St to make his left turn. Gardner's vehicle was rear ended in the northbound lane by Ozbun's vehicle.

Gardner's Ford F-150 sustained rear end damage. Ozbun's Toyota Camry sustained front end and engine damage. Ozbun's engine compartment started on fire and was extinguished by bystanders. Ozbun's and Gardner's vehicles were towed from the scene due to damage. Ozbun was transported to Sanford Hospital in Bismarck by Metro Ambulance. The crash remains under investigation.

05-28-2017 Motorcycle accident in Mountrail County

Time of Crash: 12:05 a.m.

Location of Crash: ND 8, six miles south of Stanley

Vehicle Description: 2012 Harley Davidson motorcycle driven by 20 year old Dylan McGinnity from Stanley.

The NDHP along with the Mountrail County Sheriff's office investigated the following crash:

McGinnity was driving northbound on ND 8 when he failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway. The motorcycle drove off the right side of the roadway and entered the east ditch. The motorcycle vaulted off an approach, McGinnity was ejected from the motorcycle. McGinnity came to rest in the east ditch and the motorcycle came to rest on its left side on top of McGinnity in the east ditch. McGinnity was not wearing a helmet. McGinnity did not survive the crash.

05-28-2017 Crash near Lisbon

Time of Crash: 7:55 p.m.

Location of Crash: 5 miles southeast of Lisbon

Vehicle Description: 2004 Polaris Sportsman 800 driven by 24 year old Taylor Wixo of Fargo. Wixo was not using a seatbelt.

The Polaris Sportsman, driven by Taylor Wixo, was westbound on 73rd St SE. The vehicle drove off the north shoulder of 73rd St SE. The driver attempted to steer back onto the roadway and rolled the Polaris. The driver was injured and transported to Lisbon Area Health Services by Lisbon Ambulance service. The driver was charged with operating an off highway vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

05-28-2017 Single vehicle accident on I-29

Time of Crash: 12:20 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-29 southbound, six miles south of Horace

Vehicle Description: 2007 Saturn Ion driven by 20 year old Krista Hanneman of Breckenridge, MN. One passenger, 21 year old Conrad Kondos of West Fargo. Both were wearing seatbelts.

The 2007 Saturn, driven by Krista Hanneman was southbound on I-29 when the driver drifted off the east edge of the road after a strong gust of wind. The driver over corrected and lost control of the vehicle. The vehicle entered the median where it rolled over. The driver and passenger were both wearing their seatbelts and received only minor injuries. They were transported by personal vehicle for medical treatment.

05-26-2017 Fire on I-29

Time of crash: 6:27 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-29, 5 miles south of Harwood

Vehicle Description: 2014 Peterbilt Semi pulling Polar trailer, driven by 53 year old John Nelson of Fargo.

While traveling southbound on I-29, a semi trailer experienced a mechanical problem that caused the wheels to start on fire. The thick, black smoke which reduced visibility and the hazards posed by vehicle fires caused a significant risk to travelers on I-29 southbound. This risk forced the closure of I-29 southbound for approximately 30 minutes. No one was injured by the vehicle fire.

05-26-2017 Injury crash in Trail County

Time of Crash: 10:12 a.m.

Location of Crash: Trail County Road 81

Vehicle Description: 1995 GMC semi tractor and flatbed trailer driven by 32 year old Nicholas Potter of Fargo.

Potter was northbound on Traill County Road 81 near the intersection with 12th Street NE. The vehicle entered the east ditch. Potter attempted to correct the vehicle back onto the roadway. The vehicle overturned onto its right side and skidded a short distance, then overturned onto its top prior to coming to rest in the ditch.

Potter was pinned inside the vehicle and had to be extricated. He was transported to Grand Forks for medical treatment.

05-25-17 Injury crash in Morton County

Time of Crash: 6:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 at Grant Marsh Bridge

Vehicle #1 Description: 2014 GMC Sierra driven by 37 year old male from Bismarck. Airbag with no seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 driven by 41 year old male from Lake Park, MN. Airbag with seatbelt

The Sierra was eastbound on the Grant Marsh Bridge. Traffic had slowed because of construction. The Sierra failed to stop and rear-ended the Silverado. After impact, the Silverado rear-ended a 2017 Ford F250. The 2017 Ford F250 was pushed into a fourth vehicle, a 2016 GMC pulling a flatbed trailer. The Ford F250 was pushed onto the flatbed trailer of the 2016 GMC truck.

The driver of the Sierra was not wearing a seat belt and sustained injuries. He was transported to a Bismarck Hospital. No other drivers were injured.

I-94 eastbound was closed for 1 hour. Charges are pending.

05.20.2017 I-94 crash near Jamestown

Time of Crash: 2:08 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, 14 miles west of Jamestown)

Vehicle #1 Description: 2003 Kenworth, 2010 Utility reefer trailer driven by 29 year old Ben Christen of Albany, MN. One passenger, a five year old male, also from Albany. Both were wearing seatbelts.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2004 Mercury Sable driven by 24 year old male, Osman Hirsi of Bismarck. One passenger, 23 year old female, Ogbad Jama. Both were wearing seatbelts.

The Mercury was traveling eastbound on I 94 in the right lane. The Kenworth was also eastbound and approached the Mercury from the rear. The driver of the Kenworth became distracted and did not observe the Mercury in front of him. Just prior to the collision, the driver of the Kenworth attempted to swerve to the right to avoid the Mercury. The Kenworth then rear ended the Mercury. After the collision, the Kenworth jackknifed and entered the median where it came to rest on its passenger side facing west. The Mercury came to rest in the eastbound lane facing east.

The female passenger of the Mercury was transported to Jamestown Regional Medical Center where she was treated and released. The driver of the Mercury was not hurt.

The occupants of the Kenworth were transported to Jamestown Regional Medical Center where they were treated and released.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

05-20-2017 Motor Vehicle Crash in Wells County

Time of crash: 12:30 p.m.

Location of Crash: Intersection of county roads 5 and 4

Time of crash: 12:30 p.m.

Location of Crash: Intersection of County Roads 5 and 4; five miles east of Harvey

Vehicle #1 Description: 1972 Peterbilt Semi driven by 31 year old Justin Volk of Fessenden. Volk was not wearing safety restraints

Vehicle #2 Description: 2011 Mercedes-Benz E350 driven by 66 year old William Ongstad of Harvey. Ongstad was wearing seatbelt.

Volk was driving southbound on CR 4 and was not able to stop prior to the stop sign located at the intersection of CR 5 and CR 4. Volk's semi continued through the intersection. Ongstad was eastbound on CR 5.

Ongstad saw the semi approaching at a rapid speed and braked to the point of lockup. Ongstad's car struck the drive axles of Volk's semi. Ongstad was wearing his seatbelt and claimed to be uninjured as a result of the crash yet his vehicle was severely damaged.

Post crash vehicle inspection of Volk's semi and trailer resulted in numerous out of service violations to include faulty brake lines.

05-19-2017 I-94 rollover accident

Time of accident: 7:52 p.m.

Location of accident: I-94 near Jamestown

Vehicle #1 Description: 2003 Chevrolet Express driven by 50 year old Dulaga Mustafic of Fargo.

Mustafic was traveling eastbound on I-94, just east of exit 258 in Jamestown, traveling along the median shoulder. The Chevrolet veered right and Mustafic lost control of the vehicle. The Chevrolet traveled into the south ditch and rolled down the ditch embankment. Mustafic was unrestrained and ejected from the vehicle. The Chevrolet came to rest in the south ditch.

Mustafic was transported to Jamestown Regional Medical Center and then taken by Life Flight to Sanford Hospital in Fargo. He suffered serious injuries in the crash.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

05-19-2017 Truck fire on I-29

Time of accident: 5:30 a.m.

Location of accident: Northbound Interstate 29, one mile south of Manvel

Vehicle Description: 1987 GMC service truck driven by 27 year old Jacob Hendrickson of East Grand Forks, MN.

Hendrickson was driving the service truck loaded with approximately 2000 gallons of diesel fuel north on Interstate 29. A mechanical problem occurred, and Hendrickson drove the truck to the shoulder and stopped.

The vehicle caught fire and burned. The fire did not reach the fuel cargo and no fuel was leaked. Manvel Fire Department extinguished the fire without incident.

Traffic movement was not obstructed.

05-16-2017 Rollover Crash in Stutsman County

Time of Crash: 3:10 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, ten miles west of Jamestown.

Vehicle Description: 2004 Mazda 6 driven by 20 year old Ryan Fetch of Bismarck. Fetch was wearing a seatbelt.

The Mazda was westbound on Interstate 94 when the driver fell asleep. He woke up and the vehicle was in the median. The driver overcorrected and traveled across both westbound lanes and entered the north ditch. The Mazda overturned onto its roof in a slough.

Fetch was uninjured.

05-13-2017

Fatal crash near Gwinner in Sargent County

Time of Crash: 10:26 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy. 13, ½ mile east of Gwinner

Vehicle #1 Description: 2009 GMC Acadia driven by 39 year old Oscar Castro of Oakes, ND. Castro was not wearing seatbelt.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2008 Case Tractor and disc plow driven by 63 year old Mark Wayum of Rutland.

The 2008 Case, driven by Mark Wyum, was traveling west on Hwy 13 from a field east of Gwinner to another field west of Gwinner. The 2009 GMC, driven by Oscar Castro, was traveling west on Hwy 13 from Wahpeton to Stirum.

The front of the GMC struck the rear end of a disc plow that was being pulled by the tractor in the westbound lane. Castro suffered fatal head injuries in the crash and died at the scene, Wyum was not injured in the crash.

The tractor and plow had the required lighting to legally operate on a highway at night, which were properly functioning at the time of the crash.

This crash remains under investigation.

05-14-2017 Rollover in Williams County

Time of Crash: 6:00 a.m.

Location of Crash: Williams Co. Rd. 5, Five miles south of Grenora

Vehicle Description: 2003 Chevrolet Avalanch driven by 15 year old male. One passenger, a 15 year old male. Both driver and passenger are from Grenora. Neither was wearing safety restraints. Both were injured.

The vehicle was traveling northbound on Williams County Road 5 coming from Bainville, MT going to Grenora, ND at a stated speed of 65 mph. The driver fell asleep and the vehicle drifted to the right onto the east shoulder. The driver woke up and steered back onto the roadway. The driver over-corrected and lost control of the vehicle. The vehicle went down into the west ditch and entered an agricultural field. The vehicle rotated clockwise approximately a quarter turn and overturned several times. The driver and passenger were ejected from the vehicle. The vehicle came to rest on its top facing east.

The driver and passenger were transported via ambulance to St. Alexius Hospital in Williston. The driver was flown by air ambulance to Minot. The passenger was flown by air ambulance to Fargo.

This crash remains under investigation.

05-13-2017

Traffic Pursuit

GRAND FORKS, N.D. – Troopers in the North Dakota Highway Patrol were involved in a pursuit that ended in the City of Grand Forks Lowe's Parking lot. At approximately 2:00 pm, a call came out of a suspected reckless driver coming north on I-29 south of Grand Forks. Troopers attempted to stop the vehicle just south of the 32nd Ave exit. The suspect vehicle was clocked by radar at 88 miles per hour.

The suspect vehicle slowed and pulled onto the 32nd Ave exit and eventually into the Lowe's parking lot in Grand Forks and stopped. The suspect was removed and arrested for DUI and Fleeing. The pursuit reached a speed of only 30 mph.

The driver was a Jordan Ohman, 26 years of age of Arvilla ND.

05-11-2017 Cavalier County Crash

Time of Crash: 3:38 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 66 in Cavalier County east of Milton

Vehicle #1 Description: 2004 Pontiac Grand Prix GT2 driven by 25 year old Shelby Goodeon of Mountain, ND.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2005 Volvo Semi Tractor/Trailer driven by 35 year old Jock Parisien of St. John, ND

The 2014 Pontiac was traveling Eastbound from Langdon, ND going to Mountain, ND. The Semi was westbound on Hwy 66 also when the Pontiac collided with semi trailer. It is unclear as to which vehicle crossed the centerline. Both vehicles came to rest on the roadway which caused the highway to be shut down for approximately an hour.

The driver of the Pontiac (Shelby Goodoien) was flown to Grand Forks Altru with serious injuries. Driver of semi was uninjured.

Crash is under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

05-11-2017 Semi-Car Crash in Ramsey County

Time of Crash: 5:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: US Hwy. 2, 4 miles west of Devils Lake

Vehicle #1 Description: 2012 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 21 year old Tanner Nichollis of Devils Lake. Nichollis was wearing seatbelt.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2006 Volvo Semi driven by 48 year old Zoran Jovanovic of Chicago, Ill. Jovanovic was wearing seatbelt.

The pickup was southbound on Ramsey County 79th Ave NE coming from Munich ND in route to pick up his daughter south of Devils Lake. The Volvo Semi was eastbound on US 2 coming from Minot ND to Turtle Lake Wisconsin. The pickup driver said he looked east and then pulled out and stuck the Volvo in the driver side tandem axle.

The pickup rotated counterclockwise coming to rest in the passing lane of US 2 facing east. The semi driver turned right to limit the damage to the pickup and drove into the south ditch coming to rest in the ditch on its wheels facing east. Both drivers were uninjured and remained at the scene. The driver of the pickup was cited for failure to yield at an intersection.

05-06-2017 Fatal Crash in Mountrail County

Time of Crash: 12:54 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy. 23B bypass near New Town

Vehicle #1 Description: Frac and sand semi driven by 45 year old Douglas Baldwin of Creston, OH

Vehicle #2 Description: Crude oil semi driven by 29 year old Anthony Gonzales of Hamilton, MT

Vehicle 1 was westbound and Vehicle 2 eastbound on the Highway 23 bypass on the north edge of New Town. Both trucks were fully loaded and negotiating a curve.

Vehicle 1 crossed into the eastbound lane. The trucks collided head-on. Vehicle 2 jackknifed in the roadway and started on fire. Vehicle 1 overturned and came to rest on its wheels in the north ditch.

Both vehicle burned completely. Both drivers died at the scene.

05-04-2017 Fatal Crash in Towner County

Time of Crash: 3:33 p.m.

Location of Crash: US 281. 3 miles north of Cando

Vehicle #1 Description: 2014 Toyota Prius driven by 44 year old Todd Stephens of Devils Lake.

Passengers: Ten year old Rogue Stephens and eight year old Logan Stephens of Cando. All were seatbelted, with no injuries in this vehicle.

Vehicle #2 Description: 1999 Pontiac Mountaineer driven by 52 year old Alden Cain of Saint John.

Passengers: Forty-seven year old Kathy Cain and six year old Eugene Cain, of Saint John. All were seatbelted. Alden and Kathy were injured. Eugene did not survive the crash.

The Toyota was traveling north on U.S. 281 when the driver began to slow and activated the turn signal to turn west onto 77th St NE. The Pontiac attempted to pass through the intersection. The Toyota struck the passenger's side of the Pontiac. After impact, the Pontiac entered the east ditch and rolled.

Eugene Cain was ejected from the Pontiac. He was improperly secured in his seat. He was declared deceased at the Towner County Medical Center. The driver and passenger in the Pontiac were airlifted to Grand Forks for medical treatment. They have both been released.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

05-01-2017 Fatal crash in Rolette

Time of Crash: 8:02 p.m.

Location of Crash: 35th Ave NE, 5 miles southeast of Dunseith

Vehicle Description: 2003 Buick LeSabre driven by 56 year old Errol Gooden of Dunseith.

The Buick was northbound on 35th Ave NE southeast of Dunseith. The road was washed out and closed to traffic just north of the 35th Ave NE and 92nd St NE intersection. The vehicle struck the washed out portion of the road and rolled. The driver died on scene.

The investigation is ongoing.

Motor Vehicle Pursuit

On Sunday, April 30th, at approximately 1:17 pm, a Trooper with the North Dakota Highway Patrol encountered a speeding motorist near Larimore on Highway 2.

The vehicle, a white 1996 Chevrolet Camaro, was traveling 102 miles per hour in a 70 mile per hour zone. The Trooper attempted to stop the vehicle for the speeding violation, and the driver fled. A high speed motor vehicle pursuit ensued, and lasted approximately 14 minutes around the Larimore area.

The westbound lanes of Highway 2 were shut down momentarily during the pursuit. The fleeing motorist eventually entered an agricultural field off of Highway 2 northwest of Larimore, where the fleeing vehicle became stuck. The driver, James Edward Smith Jr. of Devils Lake, then fled the vehicle on foot.

Troopers chased Smith Jr. on foot. During the foot pursuit, the suspect's vehicle caught fire and was completely burned. Troopers were able to apprehend Smith Jr. shortly thereafter.

The Larimore Rural Fire Department responded to the scene and extinguished the fire. Smith Jr. is charged with Speeding, Reckless Endangerment, Driving Under Suspension, Fleeing, and Resisting Arrest.

04-29-2017 Vehicle Fire – Benson County

Time of incident: 2:30 a.m.

Location: US Hwy. 2, 12 miles east of Rugby

Vehicle Description: 1997 Buick driven by 32 year old Faith Labissoniere of Saginaw, MI. Passenger, 12 year old female juvenile.

Troopers responded to a vehicle on fire on US Highway 2 east of Rugby.

Upon arriving the female driver and passenger were outside of the vehicle unhurt. Driver stated she was traveling east bound, heading to the state of Michigan to visit family.

The female driver was intoxicated and arrested for A Misdemeanor DUI with a Minor. She was also charged with possession Drug Paraphernalia.

Vehicle towed from the scene.

Juvenile placed in the care of Social Services.

04-24-2017 Injury crash in LaMoure County

Time of Crash: 10:03 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy. 1 at intersection with Hwy. 27

Vehicle #1 Description: 2002 Dodge Pickup driven by 37 year old Ty Kirby of Edmore, MI. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 2006 Chrysler 300 driven by 76 year old Mary Miller of Oakes, ND. Safety Restraint: Seatbelt

The Dodge was eastbound on a gravel township road when the driver failed to yield at the intersection with Highway1. The Dodge crossed Highway1 eastbound in front of the northbound Chrysler. The Chrysler struck the Dodge. The Dodge entered the northeast ditch and the Chrysler came to rest on the roadway.

Kirby suffered minor injuries. Miller sustained significant injuries. She was transported to Valley City for medical treatment and later transferred to a Fargo hospital.

The crash remains under investigation.

04-23-2017 Fatal crash in Adams County

Time of Crash: 3:45 p.m

Location of Crash: 185h Ave NE, 6.5 miles west of Hwy. 8

Vehicle description: Isuzu Rodeo driven by 32 year old Brad Delzer of Bismarck. Delzer died on scene.

Passengers: 29 year old Felicia Black of Bismarck and 30 year old Heidi Blum of Mandan.

The Isuzu was eastbound on 18th Ave NE. The driver became distracted and the vehicle entered the south ditch. The driver attempted to correct and the vehicle rolled twice. The driver and front seat passenger (Black) were ejected. The driver died on scene. Both passengers sustained injuries. None of the occupants were wearing seat belts.

After stopping on the roadway, the Isuzu started on fire and burned completely.

This crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

04-15-2017 Injury Crash I-94 milepost 67 Dickinson

Time of Crash: 11:07 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 approximately 3 miles east of Dickinson

Vehicle #1 description: 2012 Dodge Journey driven by 39 year old male of Dickinson. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt Charges: Under Investigation

Vehicle #2 Description: 2006 Harley Davidson driven by 36 year old male of Bismarck. Charges: None

The 2012 Dodge was traveling westbound on I-94. The 2006 Harley Davidson was also traveling westbound on I-94. The Harley Davidson was in front of the Dodge. The Dodge rear-ended the Harley Davidson.

The driver of the Harley Davidson was ejected and came to rest in the driving lane of I-94 while his motorcycle came to rest in the north ditch of I-94. The driver of the Dodge left the scene in their vehicle.

The driver of the Harley Davidson was transported to CHI St Alexius Hospital in Dickinson where he was treated for injuries sustained in this crash. The Dodge and its driver were located on 4/16/17. This crash remains under investigation.

4-16-2017 Injury Crash I-94 and 25th St. Fargo

Time of Crash: 5:22 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, milepost 351. Westbound 25th t exit in Fargo

Vehicle #1 Description: 1992 Lincoln Towncar driven by 29 year old Whitney Lien of Fargo. Safety Restraints: None Charges: DUI

The Lincoln, driven by Lien, was traveling west on I-94 when it exited at 25th St. S. in Fargo. The vehicle left the roadway in the process of exiting and struck a tree in the north ditch. Lien was ejected from the vehicle when it crashed. Lien was transported to Essentia Health in Fargo where she is being treated for her injuries. Alcohol is believed to be a factor in the crash.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

4-13-17 Fatality crash in Nelson County

Time of Crash: 6:00 a.m.

Location of Crash: ND Hwy 1, eight miles south of Pekin

Vehicle Description: 2012 Dodge Ram pickup,

The Dodge was traveling south on ND Highway 1. The driver of the vehicle failed to negotiate a curve and left the roadway, overturning. The Dodge was occupied by 23 year old Kevin Lemna of Enderlin and 27 year old Jordan Borland of Michigan. Lemna died at the scene. Borland was injured and transported by ambulance to Nelson County Health Center Hospital in McVie. Neither was wearing a seat belt.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

4-10-2013 Injury crash in Cass County

Time of Crash: 12:22 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 just east of 45th St Ramp

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Buick Regal driven by 45 year old Raymond Keith Hansen of Horace. Hanson was charge with Driving under suspension and warrants.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2016 Nissan Rogue driven by 45 year old Youngsuk Bang of West Fargo.

The 2001 Buick Regal, driven by Raymond Hansen, was westbound on I-94 when the driver apparently lost consciousness. The vehicle crossed the median and struck the 2016 Nissan Rogue driven by Youngsuk Bang, which was eastbound. The Nissan Rogue came to rest in the right lane of I-94 eastbound facing east. The 2001 Buick Regal came to rest in the south ditch facing southwest. Airbags were deployed in both vehicles. Mrs. Bang was transported to Essentia Hospital for her injuries. Mr. Hansen was transported to Sanford Hospital where he was medically cleared. Mr. Hansen was arrested for driving under suspension and two Cass County warrants. The crash is still under investigation.

4-09-2017 Injury crash in Morton County

Time of Crash: 7:13 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, 2 miles west of Mandan

Vehicle #1 Description: 2012 Chevrolet Equinox driven by 29 year old Daniel Jurief of Wishek. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and Airbag

Vehicle #2 Description: 2002 Hyundai Sonata driven by 33 year old Chasity Johnson of Zap. Johnson was charged with Care Required and Driving Under Suspension. Safety Restraints: None

The Chevrolet was westbound and the Hyundai eastbound on I-94. Johnson attempted to enter the left lane to cross the median and continue eastbound. As the Hyundai was merging into the left lane, the Chevrolet struck the left side of the Hyundai. The Chevrolet entered the median and rolled, coming to rest on the driver's side. The Hyundai drove off the roadway on the north side.

Both drivers sustained injuries in the crash. Jurief was transported to Sanford Hospital and Johnson was transported to St. Alexius Hospital.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

4-08-2017 Injury crash near Valley City

Time of Crash: 3:24 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, one mile west of Valley City

Vehicle #1 Description: 1999 Chevy S10 driven by 34 year old Joshua Brouse of Valley City. Safety Restraints: None

Passenger: 32 year old Kristine Brouse of Valley City. Safety Restraints: None

he Chevrolet driven by Brouse was pulling an unloaded flatbed trailer westbound on Interstate 94. Brouse had just passed another vehicle when a strong wind blew the trailer to the side causing the vehicle to lose control. The vehicle and trailer slid into the north ditch where it overturned multiple times.

The driver suffered minor injuries. The passenger was ejected, suffering serious injuries. Both occupants were transported to the hospital in Valley City. The passenger was later flown to a Fargo hospital.

4-07-2017 Injury crash in Rolette County

Time of Crash: 10:30 pm.

Location of Crash: ND Highway 30, 1 mile north of Rolla

Vehicle #1 Description: 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe driven by 35 year old Nathan Gustafson of St. John

Vehicle #2 Description: 1996 Mercury Mystique, unoccupied

Pedestrian: 68 year old Carl Indvik, Jr. of Saint John

The Mercury was stopped in the northbound lane of Highway 30. Carl Indvik, Jr. was driving the Mercury but exited the vehicle and was standing on the roadway.

The Chevrolet was northbound on Highway 30 when it struck the rear of the Mercury. Indvik was standing beside the vehicle at the time of the collision. Indvik fell to the ground and was injured. Gustafson and Indvik were transported to Rolla for medical treatment.

The Chevrolet is a Rolla Police Department vehicle, operated by Officer Gustafson. He was responding to a report of a stranded vehicle in the area.

The crash is under investigation by the NDHP.

4-03-17 Injury Crash in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 11:45 a.m.

Location of Crash: 17th Ave NE & 17th St NE (4 miles west of Grand Forks)

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Chevrolet Equinox driven by 19 year old Alexis Buck of Grafton.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2006 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 49 year old Ladonna Mortenson of Gilby. Mortenson was charged with Failure to yield.

The Equinox was eastbound on 17th Avenue NE, approaching the intersection with 17th Street NE. The Silverado was southbound on 17th Street NE, approaching the intersection with 17th Avenue NE, and entered the intersection in front of the Equinox. The Equinox struck the front of the right side of the Silverado, pushing the Silverado into 18 inches of water in the south ditch.

Buck was transported by ambulance to Altru Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. Mortenson was checked by medical personnel on scene.

Traffic on 17th Street NE is controlled by a yield sign at the intersection with 17th Avenue NE. Traffic on 17th Avenue NE has no control.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

4-03-2017 Crash in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 9:03 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-29 northbound, 6 miles south of Grand Forks

Vehicle #1 Description: Red 1987 Ford Semi Tractor pulling farm implement driven by 42 year old Bradley W. Mateychuck. Zhoda Manitoba

Passenger: 72 year old Wasyl J. Mateychuck, Zhoda, Manitoba

Vehicle #2 Description: 2007 Chevy Pickup driven by 20 year old Thomas Nistler of Grand Forks.

Vehicle #2 was northbound on Interstate 29, coming from Thompson, headed to Grand Forks. Vehicle #1 was northbound on Interstate 29, coming from Wahpeton, headed to Grand Forks.

Vehicle #1 was pulling a farm "disc", and the "disc" did not have any taillights/lighting on it. Vehicle #1 was traveling partially on the right hand shoulder and the right hand lane; it was traveling approximately 35 miles per hour in the 75 mile per hour zone.

Vehicle #2 came up behind Vehicle #1 at approximately the speed limit. The driver of Vehicle #2 was distracted, and rear ended Vehicle #1.

Both vehicles came to rest blocking both northbound lanes of travel. None of the occupants were injured in the crash. The driving lanes were completely blocked for approximately 2 hours; traffic was diverted northbound around the crash on the shoulder. This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

4-03-2017 Injury Crash in Cass County

Time of Accident: 1:35 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 exit 350 westbound, near Fargo

Vehicle #1 Description: 2002 Honda Motorcycle driven by 26 year old Danika Murphy of West Fargo.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2014 Kenworth towing flatbed trailer driven by 31 year old Jacob Jenneman of Weston, WI

The Honda was navigating the loop ramp from northbound 25th St. to westbound I-94. While attempting to merge onto I-94, the motorcyclist struck the passenger side of the Kenworth's trailer. The Kenworth was in the far right lane of westbound I-94 at the time of the collision.

After impact, Murphy was thrown from the motorcycle and came to rest on the roadway. The motorcycle came to rest in the north ditch. The Kenworth stopped on the I-94 westbound shoulder.

Murphy was transported by FM Ambulance to Essentia Hospital in Fargo for treatment of serious injuries. Jennerman was uninjured.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

Update: On April 11, Murphy died from injuries sustained in the crash. Murphy was wearing a helmet at the time of the crash.

4-03-2017 Fatal Rollover Crash in Rolette County

Time of Crash: 2:41 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 281 3 miles west of Sky Dancer Casino

Vehicle Description: 2004 Pontiac Grand Prix driven by 25 year old Clarice Brown of Fort Totten.

Passenger: 26 year old Derrick Brown of Fort Totten.

On April 3 at 2:30 a.m., the Belcourt Police Department received a report of a disturbance at the Sky Dancer Casino. The individuals involved left in a vehicle and were described as being intoxicated. Belcourt Police Officers located the vehicle and attempted to initiate a traffic stop. The vehicle fled and a pursuit ensued. Three miles west of the casino, the suspect vehicle crossed the center line, entered the ditch, and overturned. The driver was ejected and sustained life-threatening injuries. The passenger remained in the vehicle and sustained serious injuries.

Clarice Brown died from injuries on April 4. Derrick Brown was released from the hospital

4-01-2017 Fatal crash in Mountrail County

Time of Crash: 8:10 p.m.

Location of Crash: Highway 8, 5 miles south of Stanley

Vehicle Description: 2015 Ford Pickup driven by 69 year old Steve McCament of Powell, WY.

McCament was northbound on Highway 8. He failed to properly negotiate a curve in the roadway. The Ford entered the west ditch, vaulted over an approach, and overturned. The Ford came to rest in the west ditch on its top. McCament died on scene.

This crash remains under investigation.

4-01-2017 Rollover Injury Crash in Barnes County

Time of Accident: 3:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 MM 290 westbound, west of Valley city.

Vehicle Description: 2001 Harley Davidson Motorcycle driven by 59 year old Bryon Botner of Mapelton.

Botner was westbound on I-94 when he failed to maintain control of his motorcycle. Botner was forced to lay the motorcycle down on the roadway and he became separated from the motorcycle. He came to rest on the roadway, as did the motorcycle.

Botner was transported to Mercy Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The crash remains under investigation.

3-30-17 Fatal Crash in McKenzie County

Time Of Crash: 5:43 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 22, 30 miles north of Killdeer

Vehicle #1 Description: 2013 Chevrolet Service Truck driven by 47 year old Mark Giles of Kalispell, MT. Safety Restraints: Unknown

Passengers: 37 year old Jeremy Johnsen of Williston, ND. Safety Restraints: Unknown 41 year old Jory Marchwick of Culbertson, MT.

The truck was northbound on Highway 22 when insulation blew off the bed. The driver stopped the vehicle to retrieve the insulation. After picking up a piece of insulation, the victim stood on the truck's service bed. The vehicle backed up. The male fell off the service bed and was run over. He died on scene.

3-31-17 Fatal accident in McKenzie County

Time of accident: 5:43 p.m.

Location of accident: Hwy 22, 30 miles north of Killdeer

Vehicle Description: 2013 Chevrolet service truck driven by a 47 year old male from Kallispell, MT who was not injured.

Passengers: 37 year old male from Williston who was not injured. 41 year old male from Culbertson, MT, who was killed.

The truck was northbound on Highway 22 when insulation blew off the bed. The driver stopped the vehicle to retrieve the insulation. After picking up a piece of insulation, the victim stood on the truck's service bed. The vehicle backed up. The male fell off the service bed and was run over. He died on scene.

March 28, 2017

Pursuit near Devils Lake

DEVILS LAKE, N.D. – Yesterday at 3:30 p.m., the Fort Totten Bureau of Indian Affairs initiated a traffic stop in the St. Michael area. The driver of the 2008 Chevrolet pickup failed to stop and continued from the scene. BIA requested assistance from the North Dakota Highway Patrol. The Chevrolet continued south to Devils Lake where NDHP units joined the pursuit.

The Highway Patrol took over the pursuit as the suspect vehicle left Devils Lake on U.S. Highway 2. The Chevrolet stopped at a farmstead one mile east of Devils Lake and the driver fled on foot. The driver was located shortly after fleeing.

The 29-year-old was charged with fleeing, reckless endangerment, concealed weapon, and other driving-related charges.

3-10-17 Fatal Crash in Dunn County

Time of Crash: 12:30 a.m.

Location of Crash: 111th Ave NW, 30 miles NW of Killdeer

Vehicle Description: 2002 GMC Sierra driven by 27 year old Dalton James of Dickinson. Safety Restraints: None

The vehicle was southbound on 111th Ave NW. The driver failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway. The vehicle drove off the west side of the road and struck a temporary guard rail, traveled down a steep embankment, and overturned, coming to rest in a creek bed at the bottom of the embankment. The driver was ejected and died on scene.

This crash remains under investigation.

3-09-17 Fatal Crash in Walsh County

Time of Accident: 6:58 a.m.

Location of Accident: 7 miles east of Pisek on 62nd St NE

Vehicle Description: 2014 GMC Sierra driven by 25 year old Syatt Feltman from Grafton. Safety Restraints: Unknown

-7-motorist. The crash scene was seven miles east of Pisek on 62nd Street NE in rural Walsh County. A 25-year-old Grafton man failed to maintain control of his eastbound pickup. The vehicle traveled off the roadway and struck a shelter belt of trees by the roadway. The driver died on scene.

The time of the crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

3-07-17 Fatal Crash in McKenzie County

Time of Crash: 9:41 p.m.

Location of Crash: U.S. Highway 85, 1 mile west of Arnegard

Vehicle #1 Description: 1991 Dodge Ram driven by 53 year old male from Taos New Mexico who did not survive the crash. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 2013 Dodge Ram driven by 50 year old male from Palmer Alaska who was injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt.

The 1991 Dodge was westbound on Highway 85 when the driver failed to maintain control of the vehicle. The Dodge entered the eastbound lanes of Highway 85 and spun counterclockwise. The eastbound 2013 Dodge struck the 1991 Dodge on the passenger's side.

The victim's name will be released after family notification.

This crash is under investigation by the NDHP.

3-07-17 Injury crash in Burleigh County

Time of Crash: 1:40 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 83 at the north side of Bismarck

Vehicle Description: 2016 Freightliner driven by 68 year old Logan Ruston of Dalton, GA. Safety Restraint: Seatbelt

The Freightliner was northbound on Highway 83, pulling an empty van trailer. The driver failed to maintain control of the vehicle in the windy conditions. The Freightliner overturned and came to rest on its right side, partially blocking northbound Highway 83. The driver was transported to Bismarck with minor injuries.

This crash remains under investigation.

3-06-17 Injury crash in Morton County

Time of Crash: 7:20 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 42, 4 miles NW of Glen Ullin

Vehicle Description: 2014 Freightliner driven by 44 year old Jesse Miles of Ryder. Ryder was injured. Safety restraints: Seatbelt

The Freightliner was southbound on Highway 49, pulling a trailer with anhydrous ammonia. The Freightliner drifted off the west side of the roadway, entered the ditch, and overturned. The driver was transported to Bismarck for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

Highway 49 from the junction of Morton County Road 139 to Interstate 94 (Exit 110) was closed for eight hours to allow for the safe handling of the anhydrous ammonia. Traffic was routed around the crash during cleanup.

03-5-2017 Fatal Crash in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 1:40 a.m.

Location of Crash: U.S. 2, 7 miles west of Grand Forks

Vehicle Description: 2009 Ford Crown Victoria driven by 35 year old Brent Northagen of Fordville. Safety Restraints: None

The Ford was eastbound on Highway 2, traveling the wrong way in the westbound lane. The vehicle struck a bridge just west of Grand Forks. After impact, the Ford came to rest near the edge of a creek. The driver was pronounced dead on scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

3-01-17 Fatal Crash in Stark County

Time of Crash: 8:25 pm

Location of Crash: 45th St SW, 12 miles SW of South Heart

Vehicle Description: 2004 Chevy Suburban driven by 32 year old Justin Weigum of Belfield. Weigum did not survive the crash. Safety Restraints: None

The Suburban was eastbound on 45th St. SW when the driver failed to properly negotiate a curve in the roadway. The vehicle rotated clockwise, entered the south ditch, and rolled. The unbuckled driver was fully ejected and died on scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

3-01-17 Injury Crash in McLean County

Time of Crash: 2:23 p.m.

Location of Crash: US Hwy. 83 near Totten Trail

Vehicle #1 Description: 2013 Buick Lacrosse driven by 75 year old Lyman Page of Garrison.

Passenger: 76 year old Doris Page of Garrison. Both were injured. Lyman was wearing seatbelt. Doris was not wearing a seatbelt.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2000 Kenworth with trailer driven by 32 year old Albert Schumacker of Deering.

Passenger: 36 year old Misten Schwarz of Minot. Neither was injured. Safety restraints are unknown.

The Buick was merging onto southbound U.S. Highway 83 from the intersection at the Totten Trail gas station. The Buick pulled out in front of the southbound Kenworth. The Kenworth driver attempted to avoid a collision but was unable. The Kenworth rear-ended the Buick. After impact, both vehicles came to rest upright on the shoulder of the roadway.

Both occupants in the Buick were transported to Bismarck for medical treatment.

Agencies Involved: NDHP, McLean County Sheriff's Office, Garrison Ambulance

2-28-17 Head on Fatal Crrash in McHenry County

Time of Crash: 8:00 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 52, 5 miles northwest of Drake

Vehicle #1 Description: 2012 Ford F-150 driven by 31 year old Robert Keith of Granville. Granville did not survive the accident. Safety Restraints: None

Vehicle #2 Description: 2011 Freightliner with triple trailer driven by 32 year old Jesse Thiele of Minot. Theile was injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The Ford was eastbound and the Freightliner was westbound on Highway 52. The Ford crossed the centerline and was struck head-on by the Freightliner. The Ford spun counterclockwise and came to rest on the shoulder. The Freightliner left the road and jackknifed. The cab overturned and came to rest in the ditch. The Freightliner's triple trailer combination came to rest upright behind the semi.

The Freightliner driver was extricated and flown to Minot for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries. The Ford driver died on scene.

Hwy 52 was closed for three hours while the scene was cleared.

Agencies Involved: NDHP, McHenry Co. Sheriff's Office, Harvey Fire and Rescue, Northstar Life Flight.

2-20-17 Rollover Injury Crash in Traill County

Time of Crash: 10:40 p.m.

Location of Crash: Interstate 29, 2 miles north of Hillsboro

Vehicle Description: 2004 Nissan Xterra driven by 47 year old Oman Gora from Calgary, AB. Oman was injured and charged with Care Required.

The Nissan was northbound on Interstate 29 when the vehicle passed a pickup. The Nissan was traveling above the speed limit and failed to maintain control of the vehicle on the icy roadway. The Nissan slid clockwise, entered the east ditch, and rolled, coming to rest on its roof in the ditch, which contained two feet of water. The driver freed himself from his seat belt but was unable to exit the vehicle. The Hillsboro Fire Department extricated the driver from the vehicle. Hillsboro Ambulance transported Gora to Hillsboro, where he was flown to Fargo for medical treatment. Gora sustained serious, non-life-threatening injuries.

During the crash investigation, a passing northbound semi driver failed to maintain control of his vehicle while passing through the scene. The semi jackknifed on the roadway and entered the east ditch, narrowly missing emergency vehicles and personnel. The driver sustained minor injuries.

Agencies Involved: Traill Co. Sheriff's Office, Hillsboro FireDept., Buxton First Responders, NDHP

2-19-17 Head on Fatal Crash in Richland County

Time of crash: 11:51 p.m.

Location of Crash: 600 block 2nd St. S., Wahpeton

Vehicle #1 Description: 2007 Pontiac Vibe driven by 21 year old Ryan Rosaaen of Wahpeton.

Safety Restraints: None

The Pontiac was northbound in the 600 block of 2nd St. S. in Wahpeton when the vehicle veered left, left the roadway, and crossed onto the boulevard. When crossing onto the boulevard, the Pontiac struck a tree head-on.

The driver was unrestrained, but the airbags did deploy. The driver was not ejected in the crash. The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Wahpeton Police Department, Richland County Sheriff's Office

2-20-17 Injury Crash in Cass County

Time of Crash: 5:35 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 38 at junction of CassCo. Rd. 26

Vehicle #1 Description: 2006 Dodge Ram Pickup driven by 49 year old Gregory Weigel of Moorhead.

Passengers: 52 year old Rhonda Weigel and 13 year old John Weigelt, both of Moorhead. All were wearing seatbelts. No injuries.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2016 Toyota Prius driven by 72 year old Erwin Wamer of Riverton, WY who was injured. Safety restraints: Seatbelt

The Toyota was traveling eastbound on Cass Co. Rd. 26 and came upon the intersection of Hwy. 38. The Toyota failed to yield and proceeded through the intersection in front of the southbound Dodge. The Dodge struck the Toyota on the driver side and both vehicles left the roadway after the crash.

The driver of the Toyota was taken by Life Flight Helicopter to Sanford Hospital to be treated for serious injuries. The occupants of the Dodge were uninjured.

The crash remains under investigation

2-15-17 Injury Crash I-94 in Cass County

Time of Crash: 2:20 p.m.

Location of Crash I-10 southbound entrance ramp from I-94 eastbound

Vehicle Description: 2004 Chevrolet Impala driven by 18 year old female from Jamestown. Safety Restraints: None

The 2004 Impala was southbound on the I-29 southbound entrance ramp coming from I-94 eastbound. The vehicle drove off the left edge of the roadway and the driver steered right, but over corrected causing the vehicle to rotate to the right.

The vehicle slid sideways into the west ditch before striking a tree with the driver's side door. The driver was unconscious and her legs were pinned inside the vehicle. The driver was extricated by the Fargo Fire Department and was transported to Essentia Hospital in Fargo, ND to be treated for her injuries. The crash is still under investigation.

2-06-17 Injury Crash in Williams County

Location of Crash: Hwy 2, 9 miles west of Ray

Road Conditions: Snow, ice, blowing snow.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2015 Volkswagon Jetta TDI driven by 24 year old Zachary Wahlstrom of Alexander. Wahlstrom was injured. Safety restraints, unknown – airbag deployed.

Passenger: 56 year old Deborah Poole of Williston. Poole was injured
Safety Restraints: Airbag deployed.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2015 Peterbuilt Truck Tractor driven by 63 year old Fredric Elkins of Minot. Elkins was not injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt.

The Volkswagen was eastbound on U.S. Highway 2. The Peterbilt was northbound on Williams County Road 42. At the intersection of the two roads, the Peterbilt proceeded north across Highway 2. The Volkswagen struck the Peterbilt.

The two occupants in the Volkswagen were transported to Williston for treatment. The Peterbilt driver was uninjured.

The crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Agencies involved: ND Highway Patrol, Ray Ambulance Ray Fire Department.

Three Awarded for Heroic Actions

FARGO, N.D. – On Feb. 6, three people were recognized for heroic actions. On July 26, 2016, a reckless driver traveling the wrong way on Interstate 29 struck a bridge end at the Wild Rice River crossing. After impact, the vehicle became engulfed in flames, creating toxic smoke, and parts in the engine compartment exploded.

The awarded individuals risked injury or death to rescue the motorist, who was successfully removed from the vehicle but did not survive injuries sustained in the crash.

Anastacia Hermes, Kindred, received the ND Peace Officers Association (NDPOA) Good Samaritan Award and the North Dakota Highway Patrol (NDHP) Colonel's Award of Excellence. Troopers Adam Malafa and Jed Dahnke both received the NDPOA Bravery Award and the NDHP Distinguished Service Medal.

02-01-17 Fatal Crash in Dunn County

Location of Crash: Hwy 22, 20 miles north of Killdeer

Time of Crash: 8:03 a.m.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2017 Freightline box truck driven by 51 year old Chris Davillier of Dickinson. Davillier suffered fatal injuries. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 2015 Freightline semi with single box trailer driven by 61 year old Richard Perkerewicz of Washburn. Perkerewicz was injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt.

The 2017 Freightliner truck was southbound and the 2015 Freightliner semi was northbound on Highway 22. The truck crossed the centerline and struck the semi's left front. The truck continued south and came to rest on the shoulder, partially in the southbound lane. The semi came to rest in the east ditch. Both drivers were wearing seat belts. Richard Perkerewicz was transported to Dickinson for medical treatment. The truck driver died on scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Agencies Involved: ND Highway Patrol, Dunn Co. Sheriff's Dept. Dunn Co. Fire Department. Killdeer Ambulance.

Drug Stop at Traffic Control Point South of Mandan

MANDAN, N.D. – On February 1, a 2015 Chevrolet Silverado was traveling on a closed portion of N.D. Highway 1806 south of Mandan. The vehicle entered the Ft. Rice traffic control point. The driver was informed he could not travel on the closed road.

The driver, Douglas Dias, 29, of Santa Rosa, California, admitted to having marijuana in the vehicle and was traveling to the Prairie Knights Casino. The marijuana was located after a subsequent search of the vehicle.

Dias and passenger Jennifer Green, 37, of Santa Rosa, California, were arrested for possession of marijuana with the intent to deliver.

A search of the vehicle resulted in seizure of the following items:

- approximately three pounds of marijuana
- marijuana wax
- drug paraphernalia
- more than \$7,000 in cash
- three high capacity magazines for AR15-style rifles

1-30-17 Injury Crash in Kidder County

Location of Crash: I-94, two miles east of Dawson.

Time of Crash: 5:59 p.m.

Road conditions: Rain and strong wind

Vehicle #1 Description: 2002 Ford Explorer driven by 50 year old James Dewey of Tappen. Both occupants were injured. Safety Restraints: None
Passenger: Twenty-eight year old Summer Maxon of Tappen

Vehicle #2 Description: 2015 Peterbilt Truck Tractor driven by 50 year old Kyle Olson of Lake Park, MN. Olson was not injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt.

The Ford was westbound and the Peterbilt was eastbound on Interstate 94 near mile marker 209. The Ford entered the median, overturned, and rolled through the median onto the eastbound lanes. The Peterbilt rear-ended the Ford. Both vehicles came to rest on their wheels in the south ditch. James Dewey fled the scene on foot but was found a short time later.

The driver of the Peterbilt was not injured. The Ford passenger was transported to Bismarck for treatment of serious injuries.

Dewey sustained minor injuries. He was treated and released. Dewey was arrested for charges from this crash and transported to the Burleigh County Correctional Center.

1-27-17 Rollover Crash in Williams Co.

Location of Crash: Hwy 2, 4 miles north of Williston

Time of Crash: 9:00 a.m.

Road Conditions: Ice and blowing snow

Vehicle #1 Description: 2000 Chevrolet Blazer driven by 38 year old Chiquita Williams of Williston.

Passenger: 18 year old Darrius Abrams and 5 year old George Spencer, both of Williston.

Williams and Abrams were wearing seatbelts. It is unknown if the 5 year old was in a safety restraint.

Williams was traveling northbound on highway 2 near mile marker 29.5 from Williston to Tioga in the passing lane. Williams attempted to change lanes when she lost control of the vehicle. The vehicle spun counter-clock wise, entered the median and overturned.

The vehicle came to rest on its roof facing south. Williams and Abrams were transported by Williston Ambulance to Mercy Medical Center in Williston, North Dakota for minor injuries. Spencer, who was partially ejected out the driver's side rear passenger window and was pinned under the vehicle, was transported by Valley Med Air Ambulance to Trinity Hospital in Minot, North Dakota for a broken arm. Highway 2 was closed for approximately one hour while traffic was rerouted on County Road 6.

1-27-2017 Rollover Crash Trenton in Williams Co.

Location of Crash: Hwy 1804, 3 miles east of Trenton

Time of Crash: 5:35 a.m.

Road Conditions: Dry

Vehicle #1 Description: 2008 Mazda 6 driven by 21 year old Roseanna Johnson of Trenton. Safety Restraint: Airbag

Johnson was northbound from Trenton, ND to Williston, ND when it entered the east shoulder. She over-corrected, spun counter-clock wise and left the roadway to the west. The vehicle struck a pile of snow and became airborne before it landed in west ditch on its wheels. Vehicle sustained severe damage to front end and passenger side. Driver was airlifted to Trinity Hospital in Minot, ND.

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Williams Co. Sheriff's Office, Williston Fire and Rescue, Trenton Fire and Rescue

1-23-2017 Double Fatality Crash in McKenzie County

Location of Crash: Hwy 73 and McKenzie Co.Rd. 14, 20 miles east of Watford City.

Time of Crash: 9:15 p.m.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2006 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 23 year old Morgan Foote of Parshall. Passenger: 19 year old Samantha Hurkes of New Town. Neither occupant was wearing safety restraints. Neither survived.

Vehicle #2 Description: 1998 Peterbilt with frac tank driven by 36 year old Justin Dhamers of Amidon. Dahmers was wearing a seatbelt and was injured.

The Chevrolet was southbound on McKenzie County Road 14. At this time, it is unknown which occupant was the driver. The Peterbilt was eastbound on Highway 73. The Chevrolet driver disregarded a stop sign. The Chevrolet entered the intersection and struck the Peterbilt's frac tank. After impact, the Chevrolet slid into the ditch. The Peterbilt veered onto the shoulder and tipped onto its passenger side. The frac tank blocked the eastbound lane of Highway 73.

Both occupants in the Chevrolet were ejected and died on scene. Dhamers was airlifted to Minot for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

1-09-2017 Injury Crash McKenzie County

Location of Crash: Highway 58, two miles south of Dore

Time of Crash: 12:30 a.m.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2007 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 40 year old Michael Durney of Williston. Durney was injured.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2007 Kenworth semi with trailer driven by 46 year old Travis Follansbee of Rawlins, WY. Rawlins was injured.

The Chevrolet was southbound and the Kenworth was northbound on Highway 58. Durney crossed the center line and entered the northbound lane. The Chevrolet and Kenworth collided head-on. Follansbee applied the brakes and attempted to avoid a collision but was unsuccessful. Both vehicles were heavily damaged and towed from the scene.

Durney sustained serious injuries and was transported to Sidney, MT for treatment. Durney was later flown to Billings, MT.

Follansbee sustained a minor injury.

The crash blocked the roadway and traffic was re-routed for two hours.

1/09/2017 Injury Crash in Williams County

Location of Crash: Hwy 2, two miles north of Williston

Time of Crash: 9:00 a.m.

Vehicle #1 Description: 1990 Peterbilt semi pulling empty tanker, driven by 32 year old Troy Ashburn of Williston who was injured.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2016 International DOT snow plow driven by 49 year old Donald Slater of Trenton.

The snow plow was northbound in the driving lane, actively using the wing plow to clear snow drifts. The semi was northbound in the right lane behind the snow plow. The semi rear-ended the snow plow. The snow plow sustained non-disabling damage and was driven from the scene. The semi sustained disabling damage and was towed from the scene.

Both drivers were treated for minor injuries and released.

The driver of the semi was cited for careless driving.

1/05/2017

Multiple Vehicle Crashes on I-94

BISMARCK, N.D. – At 7:40 a.m., four crashes occurred on Interstate 94 eastbound on the Grant Marsh Bridge between Bismarck and Mandan.

A driver failed to maintain control of their vehicle on icy road conditions and crashed into the concrete median barrier, blocking the left lane. Following the initial collision, traffic slowed and stopped, resulting in three rear-end crashes. Eight vehicles were damaged and four vehicles were towed from the scene. No injuries were sustained.

The eastbound lanes of I-94 were temporarily closed to clear vehicles from the bridge deck. Eastbound traffic was diverted to Bismarck Expressway for an hour. After the bridge deck was cleared, traffic resumed normally and the eastbound roadway was re-opened.

1/03/17 Williams County Fatal crash

Location of Crash: Hwy 50, four miles south and one west of Wildrose

Vehicle # 1 Description: 2003 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 35 year old male who did not survive the accident. Safety Restraints: Unknown

Vehicle #2 Description: 201 John Deere 544 Front-end Loader driven by 55 year old male who was injured. No safety restraints.

The Chevrolet was westbound on Highway 50. The John Deere driver was assisting a blade stuck in the north ditch. The John Deere was parked in the eastbound lane hooked up to the loader with a tow rope. The Chevrolet driver attempted to flag the John Deere driver prior to impact. The Chevrolet struck the loader's bucket on the right side. Both vehicles spun counter-clockwise and entered the north ditch.

Both drivers were transported to Tioga for medical treatment. The Chevrolet driver was pronounced dead at the medical center.

Agencies Involved: Wildrose and Ray Ambulance services. Williams County Sheriff's Dept. Ray Fire, Wildrose Fire

1/01/17 Rollover Morton County

Location of Crash: I-94, McKenzie Drive Exit Bismarck Expressway

Time of crash: 2:01 p.m.

Vehicle Description: 1995 Buick Park Avenue, driven by 63 year old Ernest Bercier of Bismarck who was injured. Safety Restraints: None

Bercier was traveling Eastbound on Bismarck Expressway from Mandan to Bismarck. At the bridge over McKenzie Drive, Bercier drifted over the right fog line, struck the snowbank piled against the concrete bridge wall and overturned. Bercier's vehicle came to rest on its top facing Northwest, blocking both lanes of travel. Bercier was transported to Sanford Hospital in Bismarck by Metro Ambulance for non-incapacitating injuries.

This crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Agencies involved: Metro Ambulance Service, Mandan Police Dept., Morton County Sheriff's Dept.

12/29/2016 Injury Crash Stutsman County

Location of Crash: I-94 mp 254, Rest Area four miles west of Jamestown)

Time of Crash: 11:53 a.m.

Vehicle Description: 2005 Kia Sedona driven by 28 year old RAwuf Issaka from Dickinson who was injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and air bag deployed. Charges: Care Required.

Rawuf was traveling eastbound on I-94 and was attempting to exit at the rest area west of Jamestown. Rawuf lost control of his vehicle after it drove over compacted snow and ice. The vehicle left the roadway and struck a light pole, suffering extensive damage. Rawuf was extricated from his vehicle and transported to the Jamestown Medical Center, then Sanford in Bismarck for non-life-threatening injuries.

Agencies Involved: Jamestown Ambulance, Jamestown Fire, Stutsman County Sheriff's Office.

12/22/2016 Williams County

Location of Crash: 42nd St. W & 6th Ave. W. in Williston

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Volkswagon Jetta driven by 27 year old Kristen Henry of Williston. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt. Injury: None

Vehicle #2 Description: 2015 Ford Interceptor Police Car

A Williston Police Officer was conducting a routine pedestrian stop on the south side of 42nd St W facing east. The officer was outside of his patrol vehicle, which was parked on the shoulder with its emergency lights activated.

Henry was traveling east on 42nd St.. Henry stated she looked down to light her cigarette, then struck the parked police car at an unknown speed.

Neither Henry nor the officer were injured as a result of the crash.

Both Vehicles sustained minor damage, and were able to be driven from the scene.

Henry is charged with DUI, Driving While License Suspended/Revoked, and Failed to Yield to an Emergency Vehicle and Causes an Accident. This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

12/19/2016 Stutsman County Crash

Location of Crash: I-94, 5 miles west of Jamestown

Vehicle #1 Description: 2010 Chevrolet Cobalt driven by 20 year old Tylor Jung of Mandan who was injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2001 Freightliner semi with hopper trailer driven by 18 year old Boe Delabarre of Bismarck – not injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The Chevrolet was westbound on I-94. The semi was entering I-94 from the westbound exit 242. The Chevrolet was approaching the semi from behind when the driver steered left quickly to avoid colliding/rear-ending the semi's trailer. The Chevrolet skidded out of control as it entered the left lane. The driver attempted to correct and the front of the Chevrolet struck the left side of the trailer and rear drive axle of the semi combination.

Jung was wearing a seat belt and the air bags deployed in her vehicle. She was transported to Jamestown for medical treatment.

Stutsman County Sheriff's Office assisted with traffic control at the scene.

The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies Involved: ND Highway Patrol, Stutsman County Sheriff's Office, Jamestown Area Ambulance

12/13/2016 Injury Crash in Grand Forks

Location of Crash: I-29 at Hwy. 2 bridge deck

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Ford Explorer Sport Trac driven by 59 year old Donald Schempp of Grand Forks who was injured.

The Ford was southbound on I-29 when the vehicle drove on the ice-covered bridge deck. The driver failed to maintain control on the icy roadway. The vehicle entered the median and rolled.

The driver was transported to Grand Forks for medical treatment. The crash is under investigation by the Highway Patrol

Agencies Involved: Altru Ambulance, Grand Forks Police Department, Grand Forks Sheriff's Office.

12/12/2016 Head On Injury Crash in LaMoure County

Location of Crash: Hwy 281 5 miles north of Edgeley in LaMoure County

Vehicle #1 Description: 2010 Toyota Camry driven by 48 year old Michelle Steinwand of Kulm, ND. Steinwand was injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt & airbag.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2015 Volvo semi pulling enclosed trailer, driven by 43 year old Charles Carlisle of Theodore, AL. Carlisle was not injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The Toyota was southbound and the semi was northbound on Highway 281. Snow on the roadway created fog and reduced visibility. The Toyota drifted into the northbound lane and struck the semi head-on.

Carlisle was not injured. Steinwand sustained serious injuries and was transported to the Regional Medical Center in Jamestown, then flown to a Fargo hospital.

The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies Involved: Edgeley Ambulance, LaMoure Sheriff's Office, Edgeley Fire & Rescue

12/12/2016 Rollover injury crash in Morton County

Location of Crash: I-94, milepost 154, eastbound

Vehicle #1 Description: 2011 Toyota Tacoma driven by 35 year old Matthew Gill from Center, ND. Gill was not injured. Safety Restraint: Seatbelt and airbag.

Passenger: 31 year old Michael Lenoir of Bismarck who was injured.
Safety Restraints: Airbag

The Toyota was attempting to enter I-94 from an on-ramp. The driver failed to maintain control of the vehicle while accelerating. The vehicle spun clockwise, exited the roadway, and entered the south ditch. The vehicle rolled multiple times down an embankment.

The driver was wearing a seat belt and was not injured. The passenger was not wearing a seat belt and sustained serious injuries. The passenger was transported to a Bismarck hospital for treatment.

The passenger was cited for possession of illegal drugs.

Agencies Involved: ND Highway Patrol, Metro Ambulance, Morton County Sheriff

12/8/2016 Grand Forks County Accident

Location of Crash: I-29 Mile marker 124

2007 Freightliner with trailer driven by 30 year old Abdiaziz Mohamed of Moorhead, MN. Abdiaziz was not injured. Safety Restraints: None

The Freightliner was northbound on Interstate 29. Icy roads caused the semi and trailer to jackknife across both northbound lanes. No other vehicles were involved. No injuries were sustained.

This incident caused a traffic backup from the site to just south of exit 123. Both lanes were cleared in 30 minutes.

11/26/2016 Fatal Crash McLean County

Location of Crash: Hwy 37, two miles west of Garrison.

Vehicle description: 2000 Chevrolet Blazer driven by 26 year old Shaunita Haycock of Roseglen.

Passenger: Forty-six year old Susan Bear of Garrison who was injured.

Both driver and passenger were wearing seatbelts.

The Chevrolet was westbound on Highway 37 when the vehicle drove onto the north shoulder. The driver overcorrected, causing the vehicle to go into a skid and leave the roadway. The Chevrolet overturned multiple times.

Haycock died on scene. Bear was transported to Garrison, then Minot, for medical treatment.

Agencies involved: NDHP, McLean Co. Sheriff's Office, Garrison Fire & Rescue, Garrison Ambulance, Trinity Life Flight

11/24/2016 Mandan fatal crash

Location of Crash: Hwy 1806, 1 mile north of Mandan

Vehicle description: 2014 Dodge Ram Cargo Van driven by 61 year old Richard Nivens from Mandan. Safety Restraints: None

Richard Nevins was traveling northbound on Highway 1806 approximately one-mile north of Mandan. Nevins failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway and his vehicle entered the east ditch. Nevins vehicle struck an approach, vaulted in the air and came to rest on its wheels.

Richard Nevins was not wearing a seat belt and was transported to St. A's Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Agencies Involved: Metro Ambulance, Mandan Fire and Rescue, NDHP, Mandan PD.

11-04-2016 Hit and Run Pedestrian Fatal Crash

Location of Crash: Hwy 32, mile marker 37.5, ½ mile north of Lisbon.

Vehicle description: 2001 Chevy 210 pickup driven by 30 year old Paul Daniel Vincent of Gwinner. Charges: Leaving the Scene

Pedestrian: 44 year old female from Lisbon who was fatally injured.

On November 4th, at approximately 8:57 am, law enforcement responded to a report of a deceased female in the east ditch of Hwy. 32 approximately 1/2 mile north of Lisbon. Through investigation it was learned the 44 YOA female was walking northbound along Hwy. 32 when she was struck from behind by a 2001 Chevrolet S10 pickup, driven by Paul Vincent. Mr. Vincent fled the scene, but was arrested later in the day in Cooperstown.

Mr. Vincent had concealed his vehicle after the crash at a location near Gwinner. Through the cooperation of several law enforcement agencies and witnesses, investigators were able to identify and arrest Mr. Vincent without incident. Mr. Vincent is currently charged with Felony - Leaving the Scene of a Fatal Crash and is being held at the Barnes County Jail.

11-03-2016 Injury Crash – Williams County

Time of Crash: 3:15 p.m.

Location of Crash: 139th St NW, half mile north of Williston

Vehicle Description: 2006 Dodge Durango driven by 48 year old Keri Zirker from Kalispell, MT, who was injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The Dodge was southbound on 139th St. NW. The vehicle was traveling too fast around a curve in the roadway. The driver overcorrected and the vehicle left the roadway, overturned down an embankment, struck a concrete culvert, and came to a rest. Zirker was flown to Minot for medical treatment.

11-02-2016 Fatal Crash in Griggs County

Time of Crash: 2:45 p.m.

Location of Crash: Griggs Co. Rd 19, 2 miles south of Cooperstown

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Dodge Ram 1500 driven by 52 year old Rick Rahlf of Cooperstown. Charges: Pending. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: Schwinn Typhoon Pedal Bike driven by 7 year old Leslie Ronningen of Cooperstown, who was injured.

The Dodge was northbound on Co. Rd. 19 when it came upon a northbound bicycle. The driver of Dodge attempted to brake and swerve to avoid striking the bicyclist, but was unable. The Dodge struck the bicyclist from behind, causing the bicycle and rider to vault into the east ditch.

The driver of the Dodge came to a stop on the roadway. He was uninjured.

The bicyclist suffered life-threatening injuries. He was transported by the Cooperstown Ambulance Service to the Cooperstown Medical Center, then flown to Essentia Hospital in Fargo.

The crash remains under investigation.

The bicyclist died from injuries on November 3.

11-02-2016 Injury Crash in Benson County

Time of Crash: 7:44 a.m.

Location of Crash: Highway 19, 6 miles west of Minnewaukan

Vehicle Description: 2001 Buick LeSabre driven by 35 year old Jeremy Nelson of Harvey. Charges: Careless Driving. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt & Airbag

The Buick was westbound on Highway 19. Nelson fell asleep behind the wheel and the vehicle entered the north ditch and struck a field approach. The Buick became airborne, then landed in the ditch and rolled. Nelson was transported to Devils Lake for medical treatment.

10-31-2016 Injury Crash in Hettinger

Time of Crash: 7:15 a.m.

Location of Crash: Intersection of 102nd Ave SW and 64th St. SW, Hettinger Co.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2012 Chevrolet Equinox driven by 49 year old Kelly Steward of Mott who was not injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and Airbag

Vehicle #2 Description: 1996 GMC Schoolbus driven by 50 year old Sheila Gruba of Mott who was injured. Safety Restraints: None

Passengers: Four Children who were not injured

The Mott-Regent school bus was eastbound on 64th St. SW, approaching 102nd Ave SW (Enchanted Highway), which is marked with a stop sign. The Chevrolet was northbound on 102nd Ave NW and had the right-of-way. The driver of the school bus failed to yield at the intersection and pulled out in front of the northbound Chevrolet. The Chevrolet struck the passenger entrance door of the school bus.

The school bus driver was not wearing a seat belt and was injured and transported to CHI St. Alexius for medical treatment. The four children inside the bus were uninjured and released to parents on scene. The driver of the Chevrolet was uninjured.

Sheila Gruba cited for failing to yield at an intersection marked with a stop sign.

10-27-2016 Fatal crash in Richland County

Time of crash: 6:45 a.m.

Location of Crash: 182nd Ave SE, 1 mile north of Wahpeton

Vehicle #1 Description: 1996 Chevrolet Corsica driven by 22 year old Austin Vosberg of Wahpeton. Safety restraints: Seatbelt and airbag.

Vehicle #2 Description: 1998 International dump truck driven by year old David Allen Kimble of Glyndon, MN, who was injured. Safety restraints: Unknown. Charges are pending

The Chevrolet was northbound and the International was southbound on 182nd Ave SE. The International driver began to turn left into a business on the east side of 182nd Ave, directly in front of the Chevrolet. The Chevrolet struck the International.

The driver of the Chevrolet died on scene. The other driver was transported to Breckenridge for medical treatment.

10-26-2016 Injury crash in Ramsey County

Time of Crash: 9:15 a.m.

Location of crash: Hwy 2, 15 miles east of Devils Lake

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Oldsmobile passenger car driven by 32 year old Tyler Rupp of Hickson. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and Air Bag

Vehicle #2 Description: 2002 Freightliner Semi driven by 53 year Mark Dimmler of Crary. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt Charges: Care Required

The Freightliner was northbound on County Road 4. At the intersection with Highway 2, the driver failed to yield to approaching traffic and turned left onto Highway 2 into the passing lane. The semi then merged into the north lane at a slow rate of speed. The driver of the Oldsmobile took evasive action to avoid striking the semi, but failed to maintain control of the vehicle. The Oldsmobile struck the semi on the driver's side near the drive axles.

The Oldsmobile driver suffered minor injuries and the semi driver was uninjured.

10-22-2016 Fatal crash near Beulah

Time of Crash: 12:20 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 49 and Hwy 200 intersection, 1 mile N of Beulah

Vehicle #1 Description: 2004 Chevy K2500 driven by 33 year old Travis Weigum of Beulah. Air bag was deployed

Vehicle #2 Description: 2000 Dodge Grand Caravan driven by 83 year old Alice Lorenz from Dickinson who was injured.

Passengers (All of the passengers were wearing seatbelts.)

95 year old John Lorenz from Dickson who died as a result of the crash.

58 year old Linnea Lorenz from Killdeer who was injured.

56 year old Tamra Lorenz from Dickinson who was injured.

Weigum was traveling northbound on Hwy 49 from Beulah. Vehicle #2 was traveling eastbound on Hwy 200 en route to Bismarck from Killdeer. Both vehicles entered the intersection and Weigum's vehicle collided with the passenger side of Vehicle #2. Weigum's vehicle rotated on the roadway and came to rest in the roadway facing the south. Vehicle #2 came to rest in the NE ditch facing the north. The front passenger of Vehicle #2 was pronounced dead at the scene. The other occupants of Vehicle #2 were transported to Sakakawea Medical Center in Hazen for injuries sustained in the crash. Weigum was not injured in the crash.

This crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

10-17-2016 Fatal Crash in McHenry County

Time of Crash: 5:24 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 52, mile marker 145, Drake

Vehicle #1 Description: 2005 Pontiac Vibe driven by 73 year old Jacqueline Richter of Drake. Safety Restraints: Unknown

Vehicle #2 Description: 2008 Buick Lacrosse driven by 76 year old Dennis Smith of Minot who was injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Passenger: 73 year old Melanie Smith of Minot who was injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The Buick was westbound and the Pontiac was eastbound on Highway 52 on the west edge of Drake. The Pontiac driver attempted to turn left into a gas station on the north side of Highway 52. The vehicles collided in the westbound lane. The Buick came to rest in the westbound lane and the Pontiac came to rest in the north ditch.

The Buick driver and passenger were transported to St. Aloisius Medical Center in Harvey. The driver of the Pontiac was transported by helicopter to Trinity Hospital in Minot where she later died from injuries. The victim's name will be released tomorrow.

The crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

10-17-2016 Fatal Crash – Mountrail County

Time of Crash: 9:35 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 23, six miles east of New Town

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Chevrolet pickup driven by 23 year old Dylan Foster of Denton, TX. Not injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt & Airbag

Passenger: 38 year old Eric Stroup from New Braunfels, TX. Not injured.
Safety Restraints: Seatbelt & Airbag

Vehicle #2 Description: 2001 Ford Taurus driven by 23 year old Jasmin White Owl from Mandaree. Fatal. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Passengers (all from Mandaree – none were wearing safety restraints):

28 year old Dorothy White Owl who was injured.

27 year old Mario White Mountain. Fatal.

23 year old Mathew Yellow Wolf. Fatal.

21 year old Robert White Owl. Fatal.

The Chevrolet was westbound on Highway 23. The Ford was southbound on Highway 8. The Ford driver failed to stop at the intersection of the roadways and entered the intersection. The Chevrolet struck the Ford on the driver's side. After impact, the Chevrolet entered the south ditch.

The Ford rolled and came to rest upright in the eastbound right-hand turn lane of Highway 23. The Ford driver and three backseat passengers died on scene. The front seat passenger sustained serious injuries. The Chevrolet driver and passenger were uninjured. Names will be released tomorrow.

10-17-2016 Injury crash – Morton County

Time of Crash: 9:28 p.m.

Location of Crash: Memorial Bridge westbound

Vehicle Description: 2009 Kawasaki motorcycle driven by 28 year old Jonathan Clark of Bismarck. Injured. Charged with Following too close.

Passenger: 18 year old Breanna Haugen of Bismarck. Injured.

The motorcycle was westbound on Memorial Bridge when the driver failed to maintain control of the vehicle. The motorcycle rolled and the occupants were ejected. They were both wearing helmets. Clark and Haugen sustained leg and arm injuries. They were treated at the scene.

Speed was a factor in the crash. Memorial Bridge was reduced to one lane traffic for 15 minutes.

10-17-2016 Injury crash – Williams County

Time of Crash: 1:10 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 2, 2 miles west of Williston

Vehicle Description: 2003 Ford F-250 driven by 28 year old Ryan Hanson of Mesa, AZ. Injured. Charge with DUI. No safety restraints.

The Ford was eastbound on Highway 2 when Hanson failed to maintain control of the vehicle. The Ford entered the south ditch and rolled, ejecting Hanson. He was transported to Minot by helicopter for medical treatment.

10-15-2016 Benson County fatal crash

Time of Crash: 10:47 a.m.

Location of Crash: 12 miles SE of Devils Lake (89th Ave NE) Woods Rutten Rd.

Vehicle Description: 1998 Ford Contour driven by 46 year old Robert Herman, Jr., from Saint Michael. No safety restraints.

The male driver of the ford was traveling north bound on 89th Ave ND on the Woods Rutten Road heading towards US Highway 2. The driver failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway and rolled in the west ditch partially ejecting the driver. The male driver was deceased at the scene.

10-13-2016 Injury Crash – Mercer County

Time of Crash 9:00 p.m.

Location of Crash – Junction of Hwys 200A and 31

Vehicle #1 Description: 2009 Toyota Venza, driven by 34 year old Jessica Anderson of Dickinson. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag.

Vehicle #2 Description: 1999 Ford F250 with enclosed utility trailer driven by 46 year old David Thacker of Bismarck. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag.

The Toyota was northbound on Highway 31 when the driver failed to stop at a stop sign at the junction of Highways 31 and 200A. The Toyota struck the passenger side of the Ford, which was eastbound on Hwy 200A. Both vehicles rolled after impact and came to rest in the north ditch. The utility trailer separated from the Ford and also came to rest in the north ditch.

Both drivers were transported to Bismarck hospitals for medical treatment.

The crash remains under investigation.

10-13-2016 Vehicle/Pedestrian fatality, Richland County

Time of Crash: 11:49 pm.

Location of Crash: I-29, 1 mile south of Mooreton, ND

Vehicle Description: 2001 Ford F-250 driven by 47 year old Scott Fisher of Hale, MO. No injury. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt.

Pedestrian: 27 year old Tawny Heck of Grand Forks.

The F-250 driven by Scott Fisher was southbound in the right lane on I-29 when he observed a vehicle that was pulled over onto the right shoulder with its flashers on. Mr. Fisher moved into the left turn lane and began to slow. He was unable to see the 27 year old female, who had been a passenger in the parked vehicle, walking across the southbound traffic lanes. The F-250 struck the 27 year old female pedestrian who was declared dead at the scene. The crash is currently under investigation.

10-10-2016 Injury Crash in Burleigh County

Time of Crash: 7:24 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 1804, near Burleigh Ave. in Bismarck

Vehicle #1 Description: 2010 Dodge Challenger driven by 18 year old Alexis Hankinson of Bismarck. Injured. Safety Restraints: Unknown.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2008 Chevrolet Colorado driven by 67 year old Ralph Von Ruden of Bismarck. Injured. Safety Restraints: Unknown

Passenger: 65 year old Janet Von Ruden of Bismarck. Injured. Safety Restraints: Unknown

The Dodge was southbound on Highway 1804 at a high rate of speed. The Bismarck Police Department was attempting to make a traffic stop for speeding but the driver did not stop and continued southbound. The Dodge rear-ended the Chevrolet and the vehicles entered the ditch.

Both occupants in the Chevrolet were extricated and transported for medical treatment. The driver of the Dodge was treated and released.

10-10-2016 Fatal crash in Walsh County

Time of crash: 8:30 a.m.

Location of Crash: Interstate 29, 23 miles north of Grand Forks

Vehicle #1 Description: 2007 Ford Explorer SportTrac driven by 46 year old Brent Kimball of Jamestown. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag.

The Ford was traveling north on Interstate 29 when the vehicle entered the median and struck the concrete support for an overpass. The driver died on scene. The victim's name is withheld pending notification of family.

The crash is under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

10-10-2016 Ramsey County Crash

Time of Crash: 6:45 a.m.

Location of Crash: US 2 and 75th Ave NE, 7 miles west of Devils Lake

Vehicle #1 Description: 2013 Ford F-15 driven by 67 year old Allan Mosbaek of Devils Lake. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Passenger: 62 year old Rick Weed of Devils Lake. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

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The Ford turned off U.S. Highway 2 to travel north on 75th Ave NE. The westbound Amtrak struck the Ford in the rear passenger side at the intersection. The Ford was torn in half and came to rest north of the tracks in the ditch. Both the driver and passenger were transported to Devils Lake and later to Grand Forks for medical treatment.

The crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

10-08-2016 Barnes County Crash

Time of Crash: 2:20 p.m.

Location of Crash: Jct. of Hwy 32 and Barnes County Road 692 N of Oriska

Vehicle #1 Description: 2011 GMC Acadia driven by 52 year old Sandra Meyer of Hillsboro. No injury. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag

Passenger: 23 year old Rachel Meyer. No injury. Safety restraint: Seatbelt and airbag.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2013 Buick Lacrosse driven by 59 year old Clayton Schumaker of Bismarck. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag

Passenger: 88 year old Alice Anderson. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag

Vehicle #1 was traveling westbound on Barnes County road 6. Vehicle #2 was traveling southbound on Highway 32, north of Oriska. At the junction of the two roads, Vehicle #1 failed to stop at the stop sign and struck Vehicle #2 in the driver side in a t-bone type collision. Vehicle 1 continued through the intersection into the southwest ditch. Vehicle 2 continued south into the west ditch rolling over and landing on its wheels in the west ditch.

The occupants of vehicle 1 suffered minor issues and the occupants of vehicle 2 were transported by life flight to Sanford in Fargo. The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

10-08-2016- Ransom County Crash

Time of Crash: 10:00 a.m.

Location of Crash: 129th Ave SE 1.5 miles south of Hwy. 46

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Sterling Semi / 2012 Timppte driven by 36 year old Travis Dagman of Enderlin. No injuries. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 2011 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 27 year old Keith Wurtz of Ipswich, SD. Injured. Safety Restraints: None

Vehicle #1 was traveling southbound on 129th Ave SE in Ransom County pulling an empty trailer. Approximately one and a half miles south of Highway 46, Vehicle #2 was traveling westbound on a private drive and failed to yield crossing 129th Ave SE. Vehicle #1 struck Vehicle #2 in the passenger side in a t-bone type collision. Vehicle 1 stopped on the west side of 129th Ave SE in a farm yard. Vehicle 2 continued south and into the east ditch of 129th Ave SE.

The driver of vehicle 1 was not injured and the driver of vehicle 2 was transported to Lisbon Hospital in Lisbon to be treated for injuries. Driver of vehicle 2 was then taken by life flight to Sanford in Fargo.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

10-07-2016 Injury Crash in Williams Co.

Time of Crash: 6:55 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 1804, 15 miles east of Williston

Vehicle Description: 2005 Peterbilt and tanker trailer, driven by 39 year old Edgar Soto of Ross. Safety Restraints: None

The Peterbilt was eastbound on Highway 1804 when the vehicle entered the ditch and overturned into a ravine. The driver was transported to Mercy Hospital and later airlifted to Bismarck for further treatment of his injuries. Soto was arrested for the charge of driving under the influence.

Highway 1804 for closed for six hours because of the crash.

Agencies Involved: Williston Ambulance, Valley Med Life Flight, NDHP, Williams Co. Sheriff's Dept. Williston Rural Fire and Rescue.

10-06-2016 Fatal Crash, McKenzie County

Time of Crash: 2:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 58, 4 miles north of Fairview, MT

Vehicle Description: Ford F-150 driven by 44 year old Damon McLaughlin of Sidney, MT. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The Ford was southbound on Highway 58 when the vehicle entered the ditch and struck a utility pole. The driver was transported to the Sidney Medical Center where he was pronounced dead.

Agencies Involved: Fairview Ambulance, NDHP, McKenzie Co. Sheriff's Department, Fairview Fire and Rescue.

10-06-2016 Truck Crash, Kidder County

Time of Crash: 6:40 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, milepost 223 at Crystal Springs

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 International truck with an enclosed trailer, driven by 60 year old Thomas Beer of Almena, KS. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt. Charges: Care Required.

Beer was eastbound in the International pulling an enclosed trailer loaded with onions when he entered a curved portion of the road. The truck and trailer drifted onto the shoulder. Beer steered left and overcorrected causing the truck and trailer to enter the median, then came to rest facing westbound on its side. A portion of the load fell from the trailer.

Agencies Involved: Medina Ambulance, Kidder Co. Sheriff's Department, Tappen Fire and Rescue.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

10-05-2016 Injury Crash South of Devils Lake

Time of Crash: 3:02 p.m.

Location of Crash: ND Hwy 20 at milepost 100. Two miles south of Devils Lake

Vehicle #1 Description: 1999 Chevrolet Malibu driven by 16 year old Anthony Littlewind of Fort Totten. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Passenger: 21 year old female of Fort Totten. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 2000 Ford Focus, driven by 51 year old Gladys Baerwald of Devils Lake. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The 2000 Ford, driven by Gladys Baerwald, was Northbound on ND 20 going to Devils Lake. She had slowed and came to a stop on ND 20 approximately two miles south of Devils Lake, waiting for a vehicle to turn left. A 1999 Chevrolet Malibu, driven by Anthony Littlewind was also Northbound on ND 20 going to Devils Lake. Littlewind did not notice the vehicles stopped in front of him and ran into the back Baerwald's vehicle. The passenger in the Littlewind vehicle was taken to the hospital for minor injuries.

Littlewind was cited for following too close and failure to carry liability insurance on his vehicle. Baerwald was cited for failure to carry liability insurance on her vehicle.

Agencies Involved: Lake Region Ambulance Service and NDHP

10-03-2016 Bi-plane crash Morton County

Time of Crash: 3:57 p.m.

Location of Crash: Mandan Municipal Airport, 5 miles south of Mandan

1965 Aero Commander Bi-Plane, piloted by Rodney Ritz of Flasher.

The plane attempted to land on the north end of a runway at the Mandan Municipal Airport. The plane landed short of the runway and a wheel deflated. The plane skidded south on its belly along the runway. After the plane came to rest, it caught on fire. The pilot exited the plane prior to the fire and was uninjured.

This crash is under investigation by the FAA and the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Agencies Involved: Bismarck Metro Ambulance, Morton Co. Sheriff's Dept. Morton Rural Fire, Mandan Fire Dept.

10-02-2016 Fatal Crash, Nelson County

Time of Crash: 3:45 p.m.

Location of Crash: US Hwy 2 at Petersburg

Vehicle #1 Description: 1996 Plymouth Voyager, driven by 45 year old Malik Yahaya of East Grand Forks. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and Airbag

Vehicle #2 Description: 2012 Honda Civic sedan driven by 71 year old female of West Fargo. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and Airbag.

Yahaya was driving the Plymouth Voyager west on US Hwy 2 and failed to negotiate a right-hand curve. His vehicle left the roadway and entered the median, vaulting a median crossover and then entering the westbound lanes of traffic where it collided head-on with the Honda Civic

Yahaya was transported by ambulance to Altru Hospital with injuries. The driver of the Honda was deceased on scene.

The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies involved: Michigan Ambulance, NDHP, Nelson Co. Sheriff's Department, Petersburg Fire, Michigan Fire and Ambulance

10-01-2016 Truck Crash 9 mi. west of Jamestown

Time of Crash: 11:10 a.m.

Location of Crash: On Stutsman Co. Rd. 65, nine mile west of Jamestown

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Peterbilt pulling a hopper bottom trailer. Driven by Wyatt Briss, 16, of Jamestown. Safety restraints: None

Passenger Lukas Roenau, 16 Jamestown. Safety restraints: None

Briss was northbound on the paved county road when he slowed to turn east. While maneuvering the turn, the trailer tires drove off the north edge of the road. The trailer, loaded with soybeans, shifted toward the north ditch. The truck and trailer rolled onto its side causing loss of the load.

Rosenau was transported by ambulance from the scene. Briss was issued citations for care required and operating a vehicle outside of that allowed by license.

The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies Involved: Jamestown Ambulance, Stutsman Co .Sheriff's Department.

09-29-16 Fatal Crash, Cass County

Time of Crash: 7:08 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 18, 2 miles south of Casselton

Vehicle #1 Description: 1999 Dodge Caravan driven by 61 year old Erland Wateland of Leonard. Safety Restraints: None

The Caravan was southbound on Hwy 18. The vehicle entered the ditch. A short time later, the vehicle struck an intersecting township road. The Caravan came to rest on the road way. Wateland did not survive the accident.

Agencies Involved: Caselton Ambulance, Cass County Sheriff's Department, Casselton Fire and Rescue.

09-29-2016 Fatal Crash, Stark County

Time of Crash: 3:19 p.m.

Location of Crash: 100th Ave SW, 3 miles north of Gladstone

Vehicle #1 Description: 1996 Kenworth pulling flatbed trailer, driven by Jared Lewton of Hettinger. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt.

The Kenworth was northbound on a county road. The vehicle entered the left ditch and the driver attempted to correct, causing the Kenworth to roll. The driver died on the scene.

Agencies Involved: Dickinson Ambulance, NDHP, Stark Co. Sheriff's Office

09-28-2016 Property crash, Benson County

Time of Crash: 11:20 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 2 mm 225, 13 miles east of Rugby.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2008 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 68 year old Johnnie Sander of Rugby. Not injured. Safety restraints: None

Vehicle #2 Description: Construction Equipment

Sander was westbound on Hwy 2 in a construction zone. Sander crossed to the left lane which was blocked off to traffic. The Chevrolet struck parked construction equipment. The Chevrolet came to rest in the left lane. There were no injuries. Sander was cited for reckless endangerment.

09-27-2016 Property Crash Cass County

Time of Crash: 7:44 a.m.

Location of Crash: I-29 between 32nd Ave S. & I-of

Vehicle #1 Description: 2008 Dodge Avenger driven by 23 year old Jessica Sibert of Fargo. No injury. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2009 Dodge Avenger driven by 29 year old Stacey Richter of Fargo. No injury. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #3 Description: 2012 Chevrolet Silverado, driven by 27 year old Dustin Suko of Fargo.

Vehicle #4 Description: 2009 Chevrolet Silverado, driven by 42 year old Darren Christenson of Walcott.

The 2009 Dodge, northbound on I-29 in the middle lane, slowed because of slowing traffic ahead. The 2008 Dodge struck the 2009 Dodge from behind. The 2009 Dodge pulled onto the right shoulder and the 2008 Dodge pulled on to the left should. Sibert attempted to cross I-29 from left to right and pulled in front of the 2012 Chevrolet, which then struck the 2008 Dodge and was in turn struck by the 2009 Chevrolet.

All vehicles were towed from the scene. There were no injuries. Sibert was cited for care required.

09-26-2016 Dwight train-truck crash – Richland County

Time of Crash: 10:55 a.m.

Location of Crash – Richland County Road 10, 1 mile north of Dwight.

Vehicle Description: Truck pulling box trailer driven by 30 year old Mahamoud Hussein of Minneapolis, MN. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The semi was eastbound on Richland Co. Rd 10 traveling from Fargo to Wahpeton. As the semi approached the railroad crossing, one mile north of Dwight, the driver observed a train traveling northwest. The driver attempted to stop, but could not in time. The train struck the front passenger side of the truck tractor. The truck tractor received extensive damage. The driver was transported to St. Francis hospital in Breckenridge, M, where he was treated for minor injuries. The crash is currently under investigation.

Agencies Involved: Breckenridge-Wahpeton Ambulance, Dwight Fire Department, Richland County Sheriff's Office.

09-25-2016 Injury Crash near Tower City, Cass County

Time of Crash 1:11 p.m.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Gray Ford Escape driven by 43 year old Amy Hartze of Casselton. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag

The Ford was traveling west on I-94 , approximately a mile east of Tower City Exit, when the Ford drove into the median. After entering the median, the Ford swerved right across the westbound lanes of I-94 and entered the north ditch. After entering the north ditch, the Ford struck the concrete partition at a box culvert. After the impact, the Ford rolled and came to rest on its drivers side in the north ditch of the Interstate.

The female driver, who was seat belted, was pinned inside the vehicle. She was extricated by emergency personnel. After extraction, the driver was transported to Essentia Hospital in Fargo, for non-life threatening injuries.

The crash is currently under investigation. A medical condition is believed to be the cause of the crash.

Agencies involved: NDHP, Barnes County and Cass County Sheriff's Office, Tower City and Buffalo Fire Department and first responders. F-M Ambulance.

09-24-2016 Fatal Crash Mountrail County

Time of Crash: 6:33 a.m.

Location of Crash: 400 block Main St. Parshall

Vehicle Description: 2001 Chrysler PT Cruiser driven by 23 year old Bruna De Paula Cardoso, Not injured. Charges: DUI. Safety Restraints: None

Passenger: 22 year old Steven Wesley Graven-Huravitch. Fatal. Safety Restraints: Unknown

The Chrysler was traveling Easton 4th Ave NW when the driver turned south onto Main Street in Parshall. The vehicle traveled south on Main Street and onto the boulevard to the west. The vehicle struck a street sign on the driver's side and then a tree on the passenger side. The vehicle continued southwest through the boulevard, crossing the sidewalk. The vehicle came to a rest in the residential lawn.

The passenger was extricated from the vehicle and died in the ambulance after leaving the scene. The driver was arrested for DUI.

Agencies Involved: NDHP. Mountrain Co. Sheriff's Office, Minot PD.

09-23-2016 Fatal Crash near new Salem, Morton County

Time of Crash: 5:48 p.m.

Location of Crash: Interstate 94, mile marker 132, 5 miles east of New Salem

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Dodge Ram driven by 36 year old Nicholas Sikes from Bismarck. Fatal. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 1987 Ford Ranger driven by 68 year old Delton Hitchcock from New Salem. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Both vehicles were westbound on I-94 just east of New Salem. The Ford was in front of the Dodge. The Dodge rear-ended the Ford. The Ford overturned and entered the north ditch. The Dodge partially drove onto the Ford's trailer and entered the north ditch alongside the Ford. The Ford came to rest on its side and the Dodge came to rest upright.

Sikes was transported to Sanford Hospital where he was pronounced dead. Hitchcock was transported to St. Alexius Hospital and treated for minor injuries.

The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies Involved: New Salem and Metro Ambulances, ND Highway Patrol, Morton County Sheriff's Department

9-24-2016 Fatal Crash, Moffit, Burleigh County

Time of Crash 6:02 p.m.

Location of Crash: Highway 83 mile marker 52 (about 3 miles south of Moffit)

Vehicle Description: 1992 Ford Styles F-250 Pickup, driven by 41 year old Dean Chadwick from Sterling. Safety Restraints: None

A 1992 Ford pickup was traveling southbound on US Highway 83 near mile marker 52. The vehicle drifted off of the west shoulder. The driver over corrected and came back onto the roadway. The driver over corrected again and drove into the west ditch. The vehicle rolled on to its passenger side and came to rest facing east. The driver was partially ejected. The driver was transported to St. Aexius Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead on 9/24/2016. This crash remains under investigation.

Agencies Involved: Metro Ambulance Service, ND Highway Patrol, Burleigh County Sheriff's Department.

09-10-2016 Fatal Crash, Ward County

Time of Crash: 6:45 p.m.

Location of Crash: Ward Cty #13 – 1 mile north of ND #23, Ward County

Vehicle #1 Description: 2003 GMC Sierra pickup driven by 59 year old Steven Hvizdos of Rice Lake. Safety Restraints: None

Hvizdos was northbound on Ward County #13 en route from Ryder, ND to Rice Lake. The vehicle drifted into the east ditch and driver over corrected to the west and entered the west ditch. The vehicle overturned coming to rest on its wheels facing in a southern direction. The driver was not wearing a seatbelt and was ejected from the vehicle. The driver died at the scene. The crash remains under investigation.

09-06-2016 Fatal Crash, Fargo

Time of Crash 3:20 p.m.

Location of Crash: 45th ST N and Cnty Rd 20

Vehicle #1 Description: 1998 Honda driven by 17 year old juvenile from Reile's Acres, ND. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt, Airbag

Vehicle #2 Description: 2004 Chevrolet Astro Van driven by 52 year old male. Fatal. Safety Restraints: None

Passengers: One male and one female from Fargo. Neither were injured. The male passenger was wearing a seatbelt, the female passenger was not wearing a seatbelt.

The Honda was traveling west on Cass County Road 20. The Chevrolet was traveling north on 45th St. N. At the intersection of 45th ST and County Road 20 north bound 45th St. Traffic is regulated by a stop sign. The Chevrolet failed to stop at the sign and was struck by the Honda after the Chevrolet entered the intersection. Both vehicles slid into the northwest ditch and rolled. The driver of the Chevrolet was ejected during the crash and died as a result of his injuries. The driver of the Honda was taken to the Hospital as a precaution. Both passengers in the Chevrolet were not injured in the crash. The driver of the Chevrolet was transported to a funeral home in Fargo. The identities of those involved are being withheld until family can be notified. The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Agencies Involved: F-M Ambulance, Cass County Sheriff's Department, Fargo Fire & Rescue, NDHP.

09-06-2016 Injury Crash Ramsey County

Time of Crash: 8:00 a.m.

Location of Crash: 4 miles west of Devils Lake on Ramsey Co Rd #2

Vehicle #1 Description: 2009 Dodge Ram driven by 19 year old Bradley Pfeifer.
Injured. Safety Restraints: None

Pfeifer was eastbound on Ramsey County Road 2 when he drifted across the westbound lane and entered the south ditch. The vehicle struck an approach and rolled. Pfeifer was transported to Mercy Hospital where he was treated for minor injuries and released.

Pfeifer was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and driving with a revoked driver's license. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

Agencies Involved: Ramsey County Sheriff's Dept., Devils Lake Rural Fire and Rescue, Lake Region Ambulance

09-04-2016 Two-vehicle Injury Crash – Langdon

Time of Crash: 7:45 p.m.

Location of Crash: ND Hwy 1, north edge of Langdon

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 hrysler 300 driven by 30 year old Candance Charboneau of Langdon. Injured. Safety Restraints: Airbag, Charges: Driving Left of Center.

Passenger: 36 year old Nathaniel Dubois of Langdon. Injured. Safety Restraints: Airbag. 7 year old Daniel Dubois of Langdon. Injured. Safety Restraints: None. 5 year old Nathan Dubois of Langdon. Injured. Safety Restraints: None. 9 yer old Reanna Dubois of Langdone. Injured. Safety Restraints: None.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2011 Ford F-150 driven by 22 year old Wayne Borgen of Langdon. No injury. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag Charges: None

Passenger: 23 year old Brennan Rueger of Langdon. No injury. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and airbag

Charboneau was driving the Chrysler north on ND Hwy 1. Borgen was driving the Ford south on ND Hwy. 1. The Chrysler departed from its land and crossed into the lane of oncoming traffic, into the path of the Ford. The vehicles then collided head-on. Occupants of the Chrysler were transported to Cavalier County Memorial Hospital with injuries of varied severity. Occupants of the Ford were uninjured. The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies involved: NDHP, Cavalier County Sheriff's Office, Langdon Fire and Ambulance.

9-03-2016 Fatal Crash Kidder County

Time of Crash: 12:25 p.m.

Location of Crash: Interstate 94, mile marker 194 (miles west of Steele)

Vehicle #1 Description: 2002 Chrysler 300M. Safety Resraints: Seatbelt and air bag.

The Chrysler, driven by a 40 year old Bismarck male was traveling westbound on I-94. The driver went into cardiac arrest. The vehicle drove off the roadway and into the north ditch. The vehicle drove through a fence and into a field where it came to rest. The driver was transported by ambulance to Sanford Hospital where he was pronounced dead. The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies involved: Kidder County Ambulance, ND Highway Patrol, Kidder County Sheriff's Department.

9-03-2016 Mandan Fatal Crash

Time of Crash 2:40 am.

Location of Crash: Twin City Drive and Eastside Court in Mandan.

Vehicle #1 Description: 1991 Honda CBR 1000 Motorcycle driven by 53 year old male from Bismarck.

A 1991 Honda CBR 100 Motorcycle, was traveling westbound on Twin City Dr. in Mandan (near the intersection of Eastside Court and Main Street). The motorcycle failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway and struck a curb. The vehicle overturned and traveled across Eastside Court where it struck another curb. The motorcycle came to rest on Eastside Court. The driver was thrown from the motorcycle and came to rest in a ditch between Eastside Court and Main Street, Mandan. The driver was transported to St. Alexius Hospital where he was pronounced dead. The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies Involved: Metro Ambulance Service, ND Highway Patrol, Mandan Police Department.

8-31-2016 Fatal Crash Barnes County

Time of Crash: 11:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 1, mm 56, just north of Kathryn, ND

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Pontiac Bonneville driven by 53 year old Steven Sauter of Kathryn. Injured. Safety Restraints: None. Charges: DUI

Vehicle #2 Description: 2007 Toyota Corolla driven by 64 year old David Roehl of LaMoure. Fatal. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The Toyota was southbound and the Pontiac was northbound on Highway 1. The Pontiac crossed the center line and struck the Toyota head-on.

Agencies Involved: Kathryn Ambulance, NDHP, Barnes County Sheriff's Office, Kathryn Fire & Rescue

8-30-2016 Fatal Crash in Griggs Co.

Time of Crash: 7:27 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 200 mm 345, Griggs County

Vehicle #1 Description: 1979 Corvette driven by 37 year old Alan Goyne of Finley. Fatal. Safety Restraints: None

Passenger: 28 year old Tenisha Dean of Cooperstown. Injured. Safety Restraints: None.

The Corvette was eastbound on Highway 200. The driver failed to negotiate a curve in the road just west of the Sheyenne River Valley and drove onto the south shoulder. The driver over corrected and the vehicle traveled across the highway, entered the north ditch, and rolled. The vehicle came to rest on its roof. The driver died on scene. The passenger was airlifted to Fargo.

Agencies Involved: Cooperstown Ambulance, NDHP, Griggs County Sheriff's Office, Cooperstown Fire & Rescue.

8-26-2016 Four Vehicle Crash, Cass County

Time of Crash: 5:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: Interstate 94 in Fargo, mm 251

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Chrysler Town & Country Minivan driven by 40 year old Chastidy Hauge of Detroit Lakes, MN. Injured. Charges: Following too close. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and Airbag.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2015 GMC Yukon SUV driven by 37 year old Krista Majkrzak of Horace ND. No injury. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #3 Description: 2014 Ford Edge driven by 46 year old Brooke Christianson from Gyndon, MN. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #4 Description: 2007 Ford Focus driven by 41 year old Kara Blakeway from Hawley, MN. Not injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The Chrysler minivan rear ended the Yukon that slowed for traffic. The Chrysler pushed the Yukon into a concrete barrier, then struck the Edge, forcing it into the Focus.

Two adults and an infant in the min-van suffered minor injuries. They were transported by ambulance to a Fargo hospital. The crash remains under investigation.

8-23-2016 Fatal Crash near Crosby *Updates in italics 8-25-2016*

Time of Crash: 6:25 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 5, 3 miles east of Crosby

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 GMC Sierra driven by 49 year old William Koehler of Chiefland, FL. Injured. Safety Restraints: None

Vehicle #2 Description: 2006 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor, driven by 31 year old *Lesley Gunderson* from Noonan. *Fatal*. Safety Restraints: None. Three Passengers: 4 year old *Shelton Gunderson* from Noonan. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt. 8 year old *Shelly Gunderson* from Noonan. *Fatal*. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt. 2 year old female from Noonan. *Fatal*. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt.

Pedestrian: Anna McKeigan, 51 year old female from Minot. Injured.

The Ford was traveling East on Hwy. 5 when it approached a construction zone and stopped at the direction of a fslagger, Anna McKeigan. McKeigan was speaking to the Ford driver when the eastbound GMC rear-ended the Ford. Both vehicles overturned and entered the ditch. The Ford came to rest on the driver's side. The GMC came to rest on the roof.

The Ford driver and 4-year old male passenger sustained serious injuries and were airlifted to Minot. The 8-year old and 2-year-old female passengers died in the crash.

The GMC driver was injured but not transported for treatment. The flagger was struck by debris but not transported for treatment.

8-19-2016 Two vehicle injury crash in Richland County

Time of Crash: 9:10 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-29, four miles north of Great Bend in Richland County.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Kia Soul, driven by 24 year old Taylor Hoeke from Milbank, SD. Charges: DUI. No Injury. Safety Restraints: Airbag

Vehicle #2 Description: 2005 Honda Accord, driven by 34 year old Thuy Huong Huynh Ha of San Jose, CA. Passenger: 45 year old Kimberly Huynh of Fargo. Charges: None. Both occupants were injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and Airbag.

The 2016 Kia Soul was northbound in the southbound lane of I-29. The 2005 Honda Accord was southbound on I-29 from Fargo to the Dakota Magic Casino near Hankinson. The driver of the Honda Accord saw the Kia Soul coming toward her so she braked and steered left in an attempt to avoid a collision, but could not. The front left side of the Kia Soul struck the right side of the Honda Accord. The Kia Soul came to rest in the median facing northeast and the Honda Accord came to rest in the left lane of I-29 southbound facing west.

The driver of the Honda Accord was transported to Essentia Hospital in Fargo via ambulance and the passenger was life flighted to Sanford Hospital in Fargo. The driver of the Kia Sou was uninjured and was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. The crash is still under investigation.

Agencies Involved; Richland County Sheriff's Office, Great Bend Fire and Rescue, Wahpeton-Breckenridge Ambulance.

8-19-2016 Two vehicle injury crash in Nelson County

Time of Crash: 3:38 p.m.

Location of Crash: US Hwy. 2, near milepost 304, 2 miles w of Michigan, ND

Vehicle #1 Description: 2013 Peterbilt, driven by 54yearold David Blackowiak of Victoria, MN. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: Caterpillar Grader, driven by 58 year old Kenneth Schuh of Lakota, ND. Injured. Safety Restraints: None

Schuh was traveling eastbound in a Caterpillar grader on US Hwy 2 in the right traffic lane. Blackowiak was also traveling east bound in the right traffic lane. Blackowiak failed to see Schuh traveling ahead of him in the grader and rear ended Schuh. The Caterpillar crossed the left traffic lane, crossed through the median and crossed both west bound lanes of traffic before coming to a rest on its wheels in a field on the north side of US Hwy. 2. The Peterbilt came to rest on its wheels facing northeast in the right traffic lane.

Both individuals were transported to Altru Hospital in Grand Forks with non life threatening injuries.

Agencies involved: Michigan Fire, Lakota and Michigan Ambulance Services, Nelson County Sheriff's Department, and the ND Highway Patrol.

8-20-2016 Injury crash in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 4:35 a.m.

Location of Crash: US Highway 2, milepost 332, 23 miles west of Grand Forks

Vehicle #1 Description: 1993 Peterbilt tractor-trailer driven by 57 year old Dale Gappert from Stanton, ND. Not injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 2002 Chrysler Town & Country driven by 48 year old Thomas Krabbenhoft from Pelican Rapids, MN. Injured. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #1 was coming from Rochester, MN en route to Bottineau, ND.

Vehicle #1 was over taking Vehicle #2 in the passing lane. For reasons unknown, vehicle #2 attempted a left turn in front of Vehicle #1 and was struck broadside. Vehicle #2 was heading to an unknown destination.

Vehicle #1 veered off the roadway and came to a rest in the north ditch on its side. Vehicle #2 came to a rest in the median facing north. The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies Involved: Grand Forks Sheriff's Office, Larimore Ambulance.

8-19-2016 Fatal crash near Donnybrook

Time of Crash: 9:30 p.m.

Location of Crash: US 52 at Milepost 52, 5 miles west of Donnybrook

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Harley Davidson driven by 62 year old Rodney Landers of Kenmare.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2011 Honda van driven by 40 year old Christopher Cave of Regina, SK. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt. Airbag deployed

The Harley Davison was westbound on U.S. #52 en route from Foxholm, ND to a rural farmstead by Kenmare, ND. The van was eastbound on US #52 en route from Regina, SK to Minot, ND. A deer emerged onto the roadway from the north ditch and the Harley Davison struck the deer causing the driver to lose control of the motorcycle. The motorcycle and driver slid across the center line and both were struck by the van in the eastbound lane. Both vehicles came to rest on the shoulder of the eastbound lane. The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies Involved: ND Highway Patrol and Ward County Sheriff Office

8-13-2016 Juveniles involved in crash in Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 11:44 p.m.

Location of Crash: ND Hwy 15, mm 101 (8 miles west of Northwood, ND)

Vehicle #1 Description: 2006 Saturn Ion driven by 17 year old female juvenile from East Grand Forks, MN. Passengers, 19 year old Jamison Patrick Richter from Bismarck, and 17 year old Mikailah Corum from Eagan, MN. All three were injured. Safety Restraints: The driver and Richter were wearing seatbelts.

Vehicle #1 was coming from Red Willow Lake, en route to Grand Forks, eastbound on Hwy 15. For reasons unknown, the vehicle started to drift off the right shoulder. The driver overcorrected and ran off the roadway and into the north ditch. The vehicle vaulted over a field approach and rolled, coming to a rest facing south. All three occupants were transported by ambulance to Altru Hospital in Grand Forks. The unrestrained juvenile was ejected and sustained serious injuries.

This crash remains under investigation by the N.D. Highway Patrol.

8-06-2016 Injury one-vehicle rollover on Hwy 14

Time of Crash: 11:28 a.m.

Location of Crash: ND Hwy 14, 7 miles north of Drake in McHenry Co.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Chevrolet Suburban driven by 45 year old Julio Perez-Medina. Safety Restraints: None Five passengers: 41 year old Felipe Vargas, 37 year old Louis Medina, 53 year old Angel Gonzalez, 47 year old Edwin Cruz, and 44 year old Daniel Roman. All of Puerto Rico. Cruz and Louis Medina were not wearing seatbelts.

Perez-Medina was driving the suburban north on ND Hwy 14 when he swerved to avoid an animal in the roadway. He then over-corrected and lost control. The Suburban entered the east ditch where it rolled. All occupants were transported by ambulance or North Star Life Flight to Trinity Hospital in Minot with varied severity of injury. Driver was uninjured. The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

08-05-2016 Crop Duster Aircraft Crash

On Friday, August 5th, 2016, at approximately 2:48 pm, ND Highway Patrol and Barnes County Sheriff's Office officers responded to a report of a plane crash one mile south of I-94 exit 283, approximately 8 miles east of Valley City.

A 1974 Thrush cropduster was flying in the Sanborn area when the pilot experienced difficulties with the aircraft and attempted to set the plane down in an open field. While doing so, the plane clipped a corn field and came to rest in a slough, upside down, one mile south of I-94 Exit 283.

The pilot, Brian Welken, 45 year old from Valley City, was able to extricate himself from the aircraft and was transported to Mercy Hospital in Valley City for non-life threatening injuries.

In addition to the HP and SO, the Sanborn FD & 1st Responders, Valley City FD & 1st Responders and the Barnes County Ambulance Service responded to the crash scene.

The crash is being investigated by the Federal Aviation Administration. The NDHP will not be releasing any other details about the crash.

8-05-2016 Fatal Crash Mountrail Co.

Time of Crash: 12:10 p.m.

Location of Crash: Highway 8, 20 miles south of Stanley

Vehicle #1 Description: 2007 Dodge Charger driven by 55 year old Eugene
Reider from Ormond Beach,FL. Safety Restraints: None

The Dodge was northbound on Highway 8 when the vehicle crossed the southbound lanes and entered the west ditch. The vehicle struck a culvert and vaulted, overturning and coming to rest on its top. The victim's name will be released after family notification.

The crash remains under investigation.

8-03-2016 Fatal Crash – McKenzie County

Time of Crash: 2:30 p.m.

Location of Crash: Highway 1806, 14 miles north of Watford City

Vehicle #1 Description: 2005 Mack cement truck driven by 42 year old Damon Miller of Hebron. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The truck was northbound on Highway 1806 when the vehicle entered the east shoulder. The driver overcorrected and the truck entered the west ditch, rolled and came to rest on its top. The driver died on scene.

The crash is under investigation by the NDHP.

8-02-2016 Injury Crash Hwy 83 and 13 in Emmons Co.

Time of Crash: 6:35 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 83 / Hwy 13 (south) about 0.25 miles S. of Linton

Vehicle #1 Description: 2001 Hyundai Accent driven by 29 year old Christopher Dewayne Lesikar from Oakdale, Louisiana. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and air bag

Vehicle #2 Description: 2011 Ford F350 driven by 38 year old Dale Allen Foster from Bastrop, Louisiana. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and air bag.

Lesikar was traveling westbound on Hwy 13, south of Linton. Foster was traveling northbound on Hwy. 83. Lesikar did not stop at a posted stop sign. Lesikar's vehicle crashed into the right rear of Foster's Vehicle. Both drivers sustained minor injuries and were transported to Linton Hospital by Emmons County Ambulance. Heavy fog was present at the time of the crash. The crash is still under investigation.

8-1-2016 Two vehicle injury crash on I-29

Time of Crash: 12:56 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-29 8 miles South of Hankinson

Vehicle #1 Description: 2005 Ford Taurus driven by 16 year old female from Sisseton, ND. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and air bag.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2014 Chevy Impala driven by 76 year old male driver from Aberdeen, SD. Passengers: 76 year old female and 77 year old male. All of Aberdeen. Safety Restraints: Seatbelts by all, airbags deployed.

The Impala was northbound on I-29. The driver of the Impala missed his exit and began to make a u-turn to go southbound on I-29. The driver of the Impala did not see the Taurus which was northbound on I-29 and turned directly in front of it. The driver of the Taurus braked, but could not avoid a collision. The three passengers of the Impala were all transported to Essentia Hospital in Fargo. The crash is still under investigation.

08-01-2016 Injury Crash I-94 Exit 156

Time of Crash: 11:55 a.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 Westbound exit 156 in Morton County

Vehicle #1 Description: Motorcycle, 2015 BMW Sport bike, driven by 22 year old Dustin Grund of Bismarck.

Driver was westbound on I-94 near Mandan. Driver exited I-94 westbound at exit 156 where he lost control of his motorcycle while negotiating a right curve on the exit ramp. The motorcycle slid off the left side of the exit ramp, striking a traffic control sign. The driver was thrown from the motorcycle. He was injured and transported to Sanford Medical Center by Metro Ambulance. Driver was wearing a helmet. The crash remains under investigation.

07-28-2016 Injury crash in Ramsey County

Time of Crash: 5:22 p.m.

Location of Crash: USHwy 2 near milepost 276 (6 miles east of Devils Lake)

Vehicle #1 Description: 2010 Toyota Highlander driven by 53 year old Ngoc Le of Plymouth, MN. Safety Restraints: Seatbelts

Vehicle #2 Description: 2003 Mercury Sable driven by 24 year old Daniel Fuller of Devils Lake. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Le was traveling west bound on USHY 2. Fuller was traveling east bound on USHY 2 and was attempting to turn left on a median cross over into a nearby business. Fuller failed to yield at the intersection and began to cross the west bound lane of USHY 2. Fuller's Mercury struck Le's Toyoto causing both vehicles to enter the north ditch of USHY 2.

07-26-2016 I-29 Bridge Impact – Fargo

Time of Crash: 10:37 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-29 MM 54, 6 miles south of Fargo

Vehicle #1: 2013 Ford Taurus driven 63 year old Dennis Herr. Safety Restraints: None. Airbag deployed

The Taurus was southbound on the northbound lane. A short time later the vehicle drifted onto the west shoulder of the northbound lane prior to striking the guardrail of a bridge deck. The driver died at the scene.

07-25-2016 Injury Crash – Tappen, Kidder County

Time of Crash: 3:00 p.m.

Location of crash: I-94 MP 218, 4 miles east of Tappen, ND

Vehicle #1 Description: 2000 Cadillac Escalade, driven by 30 year old Terrell Bias from St. Paul, MN. One passenger 27 year old Levar Booth, of Rochester, MN. Safety Restraints: Driver – Unknown; Passenger – Seatbelt

Vehicle #2 Description: 2007 International Truck driven by 60 year old Seven Hesley of Big Lake, MN. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle #1 was traveling east on I-94 near mile post 218 in the left lane. Vehicle #2 was traveling east on I-94 near mile post 218 in the right lane. Vehicle #1 entered the median. Driver #1 over corrected. Vehicle #1 re-entered the eastbound roadway and struck vehicle #2. Vehicle #1 rolled several times coming to rest in the south ditch. Vehicle #2 drove through the median, across the westbound roadway and rolled onto its side in the north ditch. The driver of vehicle #1 was ejected. Passenger of vehicle #1 was wearing seatbelt and was not ejected. Driver of vehicle #2 was wearing seatbelt and was not ejected. Driver of vehicle #1 was transported to Sanford Medical Center by Sanford AirMed. Passenger of vehicle #1 was transported to Sanford Medical Center by ambulance. Driver of vehicle #2 was not injured in the crash. Crash is still under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

07-24-2016 Injury Crash – Ward County

Time of Crash: 6:15 p.m.

Location of Crash: Junction of Ward Cty. Roads 15 and 17

Vehicle #1 Description: 1998 Harley Davidson driven by Curtis Haberlock of Burlington, ND. Safety Restraints: None

Vehicle #2 Description: 1996 Ford Probe driven by 17 year old Gabrielle Kindy of Minot, ND. Safety Restraints: None. Charges: Pending

The Harley Davison was being driven eastbound on Ward County #15 en route towards Minot. The Ford Probe was being driven northbound on Ward Cr. #17 and entered the intersection of the two roads after stopping at the stop sign. The motorcycle struck the vehicle in the intersection causing the driver of the motorcycle to be ejected. The driver was not wearing a helmet and was transported to Trinity Hospital. The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP

07-23-2016 Semi rollover north of Manvel

Time of Crash: 10:01 a.m.

Location of Crash: Interstate 29, mile marker 153, 1 miles north of Manvel

Vehicle #1 Description: Blue 2013 Peterbilt pulling diesel tanker, driven by 45 year old man from St. Thomas ND. Safety Restraints: Unknown

ND Highway Patrol responded to a report of a semi/tanker rollover crash that had occurred just north of Manvel, on Interstate 29. For reasons unknown, the driver of the semi drove off the right side of the roadway and down into the east ditch. The semi-tractor, and the loaded diesel tanker that it was pulling, rolled over in the ditch causing significant damage. The diesel tanker breached, and released up to 300 gallons of highway diesel fuel into the water-filled ditch. The ND Dept. of Health was notified, and a temporary earthen dam was built by a local contractor to contain the spill. The Manvel Fire Department, the Grand Forks Hazmat response team, and the Grand Forks Sheriff's Dept. also responded to the scene. The 45 year old driver was injured and transported to Altu Hospital in Grand Forks via ambulance. The crash is still under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

07-23-2016 Bicycle/Pickup Injury Crash

Time of Crash: 8:00 a.m.

Location of Crash: Highway 46, 4 miles east of Kindred

Description of Vehicle #1: 2007 Ford F150, driven by 25 year old Theodore Finton from Fargo. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Description of Vehicle #2: Bicycle with rider, Adam Walsvik, 29 year old from Menoken. Safety Restraints: N/A

The bicycle ridden by Adam Walsvik was westbound on Highway 46. The F150, driven by Theodore Flinton was also westbound on Highway 46, traveling from Fargo, to a work site along Highway 46 near Leonard, ND. The bicyclist was injured as a result of the crash and was transported to Essentia Hospital in Fargo by the Kindred Ambulance Service. The crash is still under investigation.

7-22-2016 Minot PD Vehicle Crash

Time of Crash: 5:20 p.m.

Location of Crash: Junction of Burdick Expressway and 6th St SW in Minot

Vehicle #1 Description: 2015 Ford Taurus driven by 28 year old Zachary Peppelman from Minot ND. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt, Airbag

Vehicle #2 Description: 2014 Buick Verano driven by 16 year old Lyvia Roark from Berthold, ND. Safety Restraints: None

Vehicle #1 (Minot PD Officer) was traveling southbound on 6th St SW with its red lights and siren activated. Vehicle #2 was traveling eastbound on Burdick Expressway. Vehicle #1 had a red light at the intersection and had slowed down to proceed through the intersection with its red lights and siren activated, but failed to see the eastbound vehicle which had a green light. The Minot PD vehicle struck vehicle #2 in the driver's side sending it into the sidewalk area of Joe's Smoke Shop gas station. The Minot PD vehicle came to rest on Burdick Expressway facing in an eastern direction and vehicle #2 came to rest on the sidewalk facing in a southeastern direction. The crash remains under investigation by the ND Highway Patrol.

07-22-2016 Fatal Crash near Balta ND, Pierce County

Update: Name released 07-23-2016

Time of Crash: 11:58 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 3 mile marker 193, 10 miles south of Rugby

Vehicle #1 Description: 1997 Jeep Cherokee driven by 64 year, Randall McDonald, from Balta, ND. Safety Restraints: None

The driver was traveling south bound on ND Highway 3 from Rugby to his residence in Balta when the vehicle drifted into the west ditch. Once in the west ditch, the vehicle struck an approach causing the vehicle to roll end over end, coming to rest in the west ditch, facing west bound. The driver was not ejected and was deceased at the scene. Seatbelt was not in use.

07-21-2016 Fatal Crash – Stark County

Time of Crash: 7/21/2016

Place of Crash: I-94, 5 miles east of Dickinson

Vehicle #1 Description: 1993 Ford LA900 truck towing flatbed trailer driven by 57 year old Lawrence Ormsby of Keystone Heights, Florida. Safety Restraints: None

The truck was westbound on Interstate 94 when the vehicle left the roadway and entered the north ditch. The truck and trailer jackknifed and overturned. The driver was not wearing a seatbelt and sustained fatal injuries. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

The crash remains under investigation by the ND Highway Patrol.

07-21-2016 Fatal Crash – Morton County

Time of Crash: 4:16 p.m.

Place of Crash: I-94, Mile marker 133, Morton County

Vehicle #1 Description: 1985 Ford Crown Victoria driven by 21 year old Chandler Schmidt of Glen Ullin. Safety Restraints: None

Vehicle #2 Description: 2010 Cadillac DPR driven by 74 year old Phil Clark of Pigeon Forge, TN. Passenger, 67 year old Lana Dillard of Pigeon Forge, TN. Safety Restraints: Both occupants were wearing seatbelts.

The Ford was eastbound on I-94 when the vehicle entered the median and struck the westbound Cadillac in a sideswipe collision. The Ford crossed the westbound lanes and continued to travel through the ditch and a fence. The Ford came to rest in a field. Schmidt suffered fatal injuries.

07-19-2016 Stutsman County Sprayer Crash

Time of Crash: 3:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: Highway 20, 4 miles north of Courtney

Vehicle #1 Description: 2007 RoGator Ag Sprayer driven by 28 year old Taylor Rose of Wimbledon. Safety restraints: None

Vehicle #2 Description: 2014 Peterbilt semi pulling a dump trailer, driven by 43 year old James Ambrosier of Ault, CO. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

The sprayer, driven by Rose, finished spraying a nearby field, then continued eastbound on a gravel township road, at approximately 25 mph, short distance, before slowing for an intersection at Highway 20. Rose disregarded the stop sign and continued through the intersection at about 15 miles per hour.

Ambrosier was southbound in the Peterbilt at approximately 65 mph with a load of sand when he observed the sprayer slowing for the intersection. When Rose failed to stop, Ambrosier braked and drove onto the northbound lane, attempting to avoid the crash. The sprayer struck the side of the dump trailer and came to rest on the road. Rose was ejected. The truck slowed on the southbound shoulder. Highway 20 was shut down for approximately one hour.

Rose was flown to Fargo for continued observation.

07-19-2016 Morton County Property Crash

Time of Crash: 2:06 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 mile marker 156, Grant Marsh Bridge

Vehicle #1 Description: 2006 Toyota Corolla, driven by 29 year old Dylan Gilles of Brooklyn Park, MN. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt and Airbag

Vehicle #2 Description: 2011 Subaru Outback driven by 39 year old Jessica Zimmerman of Bismarck. Safety Restraints: Seatbelt

Zimmerman was eastbound on I-94 in the right lane and had slowed to a near stop. Other traffic on the roadway was slowing because of a previous crash. Gilles was behind Zimmerman, traveling about 60-65 miles per hour, and struck the rear left of Zimmerman's vehicle. Gilles swerved to the left to avoid the collision but was unable.

The vehicles were disabled and blocked both eastbound lanes of I-94 on the bridge deck. Metro Area Ambulance responded, but both occupants were uninjured. The eastbound lanes of I-94 were closed for an hour while tow trucks removed the disabled vehicles from the roadway.

07-16-2016 Two-vehicle crash, Grand Forks County

Time of Crash: 9:46 a.m.

Location of Crash: U.S. Highway 2 / Airport Road – 3 miles west of Grand Forks

Vehicle #1 Description: 1998 Chevrolet Blazer driven by 37 year old Dale H. Mock of East Grand Forks. He was wearing a seatbelt.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2014 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 50 year old Peter D. Welte of Larimore, ND. He was wearing a seatbelt.

Mr. Welte was traveling from Grand Forks, ND en route to his residence in Larimore, ND. He was in the westbound driving lane of U.S. Highway 2 approaching the intersection for the Grand Forks Airport. He began to slow at the intersection since the traffic light was turning from yellow to red. Mr. Mock was coming from Grand Forks and heading to Larimore, as well in the westbound lane of U.S. Highway 2. He failed to recognize that Mr. Welte's vehicle was slowing to a stop at the changing light and rear ended Mr. Welte's vehicle. Mr. Mock was transported by ambulance to Altru Hospital for non-life threatening injuries. He was treated and released.

Mr. Mock was arrested for driving under the influence.

Unattended Death at Dakota Women's Correctional and Rehabilitation Center in New England – July 15, 2016

A 52-year-old woman was found unresponsive at the Dakota Women's Correctional and Rehabilitation Center in New England Tuesday morning. Jayta Schmidt was transported by ambulance to Dickinson for medical treatment. She was then airlifted to Bismarck where she was pronounced dead at CHI St. Alexius.

This case is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol, Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and the State Medical Examiner. The Hettinger County Sheriff's Office assisted.

7-15-2016 Injury Crash – Billings County

Time of Crash: 12:03 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 85, 7 miles north of Belfield

Vehicle #1 Description: 2004 Toyota Camry driven by 23 year old Jesus Gomez-Medina of Bismarck. Gomez-Medina was injured. He was wearing seatbelt.

Gomez-Medina was southbound on Highway 85 and failed to properly negotiate a curve near the Billings/Stark County line. The vehicle entered the west ditch. Gomez-Medina overcorrected and the vehicle overturned on the roadway, rotated, and entered the east ditch.

Gomez-Medina was extricated from the vehicle and transported by Valley Air Medical to Bismarck for medical treatment. This traffic crash is under investigation by the NDHP.

7-13-2016

Time of Crash: 2:25 p.m.

Location of Crash: 1-94, mm 302, eight miles east of Valley City

Vehicle #1 Description: 2015 GMC Pickup driven by 30 year old Jeff Powers of Moorhead, MN. He was wearing a seatbelt. Extensive damage to front and side of vehicle. Charged with care required.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2016 John Deere 6155 M front wheel assist tractor driven by 57 year old Bruce Moritz of Valley City. He was wearing his seatbelt.

Powers was eastbound using cruise control on the right lane when he fell asleep and drifted onto the south shoulder causing his GMC pickup to strike the John Deere tractor towing a rotary mower. The tractor driven by Moritz, owned by the Dept. of Transportation, had been mowing ditches along the interstate. Moritz was transported by ambulance to the hospital in Valley City, then treated and released. The crash remains under investigation.

7-13-2016

Time of Crash: 4:15 p.m.

Location of Crash: Interstate 29 at Demers Ave Exit, Grand Forks

Vehicle #1 Description: 2014 Peterbilt truck tractor with trailer, driven by 60 year old Carla Pierce of Melrose, MN. She was wearing her seatbelt.

Pierce was driving the Peterbilt truck tractor pulling dry van trailer north on Interstate Interstate 29. As the vehicle came over the top of the overpass over Demers Avenue it left the roadway and entered the median where it struck the highway guardrail on the west side of the median (along the southbound lanes) and jackknifed. The vehicle slid back toward the northbound lanes and came to rest with the rear of the truck tractor and front of the trailer partially in the northbound traffic lanes.

The driver was transported by ambulance to Altru Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Both northbound and southbound traffic was reduced to a single lane while the scene was cleared. By 5:40 p.m., all traffic was flowing normally again.

7-10-2016 Fatal Crash, Montrail County

Time of Crash: 4:30 p.m.

Location of Crash: 83rd Ave NW, 1 mile W of Stanley, 1 mi N of Hwy 2

Vehicle #1 Description – 2005 Ford F-150. The male driver, 97 year old Kenneth Lystad, of Stanley, was injured. He was wearing safety restraints. The female passenger, 89 year old Elaine Lystad, of Stanley, did not survive the accident. She was not wearing safety restraints.

The Ford was northbound on 83rd Ave NW, approximately one mile north of U.S. Highway 2. The vehicle drove off the right shoulder of the roadway and into the ditch. The driver attempted to correct and the vehicle crossed 83rd Ave. to the left shoulder. The vehicle crossed the roadway again to the right shoulder. The driver continued his attempt to correct the vehicle. The vehicle again crossed the roadway to the left shoulder. The vehicle spun clockwise, entered the east ditch, and rolled. The vehicle came to rest on its top.

Names will be released later today.

7-09-2016 –Fatal Crash McKenzie County

Location of Crash: U.S. Highway 85, 2 miles SW of Watford City

Time of Crash: 7:02 p.m.

Vehicle #1 Description: 2013 Kenworth.

Driver: 44 year old Kevin R. Holman from Leander, TX.

Safety Restraints? Yes

The semi was turning north onto U.S. Highway 85 from the Highway 85 bypass. Holman was unable to properly negotiate the curve. The vehicle drove onto the ramp's left shoulder and rolled, causing the trailer to brake off the fifth wheel hitch. The tractor came to rest on its top and the trailer came to rest on the passenger's side.

7-06-2016 Double Fatal Rolette County

Location of Crash—US.281 MM 246, approximately 6 miles east of Dunseith

Vehicle #1 Description- 2007 Dodge Ram Pickup driven by Lyle Beston, a 47 year old man from Dunseith. Two passengers: Terrence Beston, a 43 year old man from Dunseith. And Clarence Norquay, a 47 year old man from Belcourt. No safety restraints. All occupants were injured.

Vehicle #2 Description – 2006 Ford Taurus driven by 43 year old Dwight Azure from Belcourt. One passenger, 44 year old Heidi Azure from Rolla. Both were wearing seatbelts.

Vehicle #2 was traveling east bound on US 281 slowing down to make a turn onto a secondary road when it was rear ended by vehicle #1, also traveling east bound. Both vehicles ended up coming to rest in the north ditch. The driver and passenger of vehicle #2 were deceased at the scene.

Driver of vehicle #1 was arrested for DUI causing death or injury. Further charges are pending the completion of the investigation. This crash is still under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

7-05-2016 – I-29 Motorcycle Crash

Location of Crash – I-29, Southbound, at 32nd Ave on ramp.

Safety Restraints: Folkerts was wearing seatbelt

Vehicle #1 Description: 2008 Kawasaki VD 9 driven by 55 year old Mavin Bunn Jr., of Fargo.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2011 Ford Fusion driven by 22 year old Theodore Folkerts of Fargo.

The Kawasaki motorcycle was merging onto I-29 from the on ramp at 32nd Ave. S. The Ford Fusion was southbound on I-29 and began changing lanes from left to right in the area at the end of the entrance ramp. The Ford Fusion and the Kawasaki struck each other at the end of the ramp. The driver of the Kawasaki lost control and slid into the ditch where he was ejected from the motorcycle. The driver of the motorcycle was not wearing a helmet. The crash is still under investigation.

7-01-2016 – ATV Crash in Oakes, ND

Location of Crash – 15th St. N., near Main Ave., Oakes, ND

Safety Restraints: None

Vehicle #1 Description: 2006 Arctic Cat ATV driven by 43 year old Trever R. Kelstrom

Kelstrom was northbound on 15th St. in Oakes, approaching the Main Avenue intersection when he fell from his ATV and struck his head on the roadway. Kelstrom was not using a helmet and suffered from a critical head injury. Kelstrom's ATV rolled onto its top and came to rest on the roadway.

Kelstrom was flown from Oakes to Fargo where he remained until he succumbed to his injury the evening of July 2, 2016.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

7-01-2016- Injury Crash – Nelson County

Location of Crash – Highway 2 near milepost 295 in Lakota

Safety Restraints: None

Vehicle #1 Description: 2002 Honda Goldwing, driven by 49 year old David Pazynski of Fairbom, OH

Pazynski was traveling Weston Highway 2 when he slowed to prepare for a right-hand turn. Pazynski lost control of the motorcycle and the Honda laid on its side in the right lane. Pazynski was wearing a helmet.

6-30-2015 Fatal Crash – Billings County

Location of Crash: I-94, Exit 27 off-ramp by Medora

Safety Restraints: Unknown

Vehicle #1 Description: 1997 Freightliner drive by a 64 year old male from Belfield, ND. Name released on July 1, Louis Lindbo

The Freightliner was exiting I-94 at exit 27 by Medora when the driver failed to properly negotiate the curve. The vehicle tipped onto its side and traveled through the guardrail just before the overpass of I-94. The vehicle came to rest upside down.

The crash remains under investigation.

6-28-2016 Fatal Crash – McKenzie County

Location of Crash: Hwy 73-28 miles E of Watford City, 8 miles NW of Mandaree

Safety restraints: None

Vehicle #1 Description: 2003 Dodge Ram 2500 driven by 41 year old male

The Dodge was traveling east on Highway 73. The driver was negotiating a left-hand curve on a grade. The vehicle crossed the fog line and drove onto the right shoulder. The driver attempted to correct by steering left, causing him to lose control of the vehicle. The vehicle spun counterclockwise, entered the north ditch, and rolled. The vehicle struck a tree and came to rest on the edge of the highway. The driver was ejected.

The crash is under investigation. The exact time of the crash has not been determined. The victim's name will be released at a later date.

Fireworks caused vehicle fire on I-29

FARGO, N.D. – Yesterday at 8:38 p.m., two NDHP troopers responded to a vehicle fire on northbound I-29 near mile marker 60. Witnesses reported fireworks igniting inside a 2005 Mercury Montego with two occupants. Fargo Fire Department personnel responded to the incident.

Once on scene, troopers observed Fargo FD extinguishing a fire inside the Mercury's passenger compartment. Two male occupants were transported from the scene by a passerby to Essentia Hospital in Fargo prior to NDHP arrival.

When interviewed at Essentia Hospital, a 17-year-old male driver did not appear to be injured. An 18-year-old male passenger suffered second and third degree burns to his body. Both occupants reside in Fargo.

Prior to the fire, the males purchased fireworks at a fireworks business south of Fargo. While driving back to Fargo, the passenger was igniting a cap gun when a cap sparked and ignited the fireworks inside the passenger compartment of the vehicle.

Unattended Death in Benson County – June 25, 2016

On Saturday, June 25, 2016, at approximately 11:35 a.m., the North Dakota Highway Patrol responded with the Benson County Sheriff's Department to a report of a train/pedestrian crash in Leeds, ND. The report was made when BNSF Railroad employees saw what they believed to be a body on the tracks. Upon arrival at the scene, responding officers discovered that a 55 year old man, from Leeds, had died on the railroad tracks, but not due to being struck by a train. The North Dakota Bureau of Criminal Investigation and the Benson County Coroner also responded to the scene to investigate the unattended death. This death remains under investigation by the North Dakota BCI, the Benson County Sheriff's Department, and the ND State Forensic Medical Examiner's Office. At this point in the investigation, there is no suspicion of foul play.

6/23/2016 Fatal Crash in Morton County

Time of Crash 4:15 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-94, 6 miles west of Glen Ullin

Vehicle Description: 1994 Chevrolet Blazer driven by Scott Minkley, a 57 year old male from Hazen.

The Chevrolet was eastbound on I-94. The driver lost control and the vehicle entered the south ditch. The Chevrolet rolled and came to rest on its tires in the ditch. The driver was ejected and pronounced dead on scene.

Safety Restraints: None

The crash is under investigation.

6/19/2016 Injury Crash in Richland County

Time of Crash: 4:00 p.m.

Location of Crash: I-29, mile marker 25 (2 miles north of Mooreton)

Vehicle Description: 2001 Ford F150 driven by 21 year old Marissa Cutler of West Fargo. No safety restraints.

The Ford F150 was southbound on I-29 in the left hand lane. The F150 entered the median and rolled over. The vehicle came to rest on its side in the northbound passing lane of I-29. The driver, who was not wearing her seatbelt was ejected and sustained serious injuries. The crash is still under investigation.

Agencies Involved: Richland County Sheriff's Office, Dwight Fire Department; Mooreton Fire Department.

6/17/2016 Injury Crash in Barnes County

Time of Crash: 1:50 p.m.

Location of Crash: 9-94 Eastbound, mile marker 290 west edge of Valley City

Vehicle Description: 2005 Honda Accord driven by 27 year old Fatumata Sheriff with passenger 23 year old Oumar Sheriff, both of Bismarck.

The Honda was traveling eastbound of I-94 in the right lane, approaching a slower moving vehicle. Before rear ending the other motorist, the driver of the Honda swerved left to avoid a collision. After taking evasive action, the driver of the Honda lost control and slid into the median. After entering the median, the vehicle rolled, coming to rest in the median partially blocking the eastbound passing lane. The driver and passenger of the Honda were transported to Mercy Hospital to be treated for injuries. The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

6/16/2016 Injury Crash in Nelson County

Time of Crash: 3:05 p.m.

Location of Crash: Lakota Junction Hwy 1 and Hwy 2

Vehicle #1 Description: 2009 Pontiac G8 driven by 67 year old Michael Fratzke with passenger, 63 year old Kathleen Fratzke, both of Winonia, MN.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2015 Hyundai Sante Fe driven by 25 year old Todd Olson of Grand Forks with passenger, 34 year old Nicholas Gratton of Walhalla.

The Fratzke vehicle was traveling west bound on US Hwy 2 from their residence in Winona, MN to Minot, ND. Upon approaching the intersection of ND Hwy 1, Mr. Fratzke noticed a vehicle stopped at the north stop sign begin to pull out in an attempt to cross Hwy 2. He attempted to avoid the collision but was unable. The Olson vehicle was stopped at the north stop sign on ND Hwy. 1, waiting to travel east bound on US 2 to Grand Forks. Mr. Olson started south bound across Hwy. 2 in his attempt to travel eastbound to Grand Forks and was struck by the Fratzke vehicle. The Fratzke vehicle came to rest facing southwest in the center median. The Olson vehicle came to rest facing west on the westbound shoulder of US Hwy.2. Both vehicles were towed, due to damage.

The Fratzkes were taken by Lake Region ambulance to Mercer Hospital in Devils Lake where they were treated and released. Mr. Olson was issued a traffic citation for failing to yield at a stop intersection.

6/15/2016 Injury Crash in Stark County

Crash Date: 6/15/2016

Time of Crash: 12:17 p.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 22 and 47th St. SW in Stark County

Vehicle #1 Description: 2016 Ford F-550 food delivery truck driven by 46 year old Darran Decker of Dickinson.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2004 Oldsmobile Alero driven by 23 year old Whitney Grover with passenger 23 year old Glenn Kremer, both of Dickinson.

The Ford was northbound and the Oldsmobile was southbound on Highway 22. The Oldsmobile driver attempted to negotiate a left-hand turn onto 47th St. SW. The driver's side of the Ford struck the Oldsmobile's front passenger door. After impact, the Ford entered the ditch. The Oldsmobile rotated counterclockwise and came to rest on the shoulder.

The Oldsmobile driver and passenger were transported to Dickinson by ambulance for medical treatment. The driver was life-flighted to Bismarck for further treatment.

This crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol

Agencies involved: NDHP and Stark County Sheriff's Department.

6/14/2016 – Fatal Crash McHenry County

Crash Date: 6/14/2016

Time of Crash: 5:45 p.m.

Location of Crash: McHenry Co. Rd. 7, 1 mile south of Hwy. 52

Vehicle #1 Description: 1993 Dodge pickup driven by 41 year old male of Kief.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2007 Subaru Impreza driven by 19 year old male from Minot. Passenger was a 19 year old male.

The Dodge was southbound and the Subaru was northbound on McHenry County Road 7. The Subaru driver failed to maintain control of the vehicle and the Subaru rotated, sliding into the southbound lane. The Dodge struck the driver's side of the Subaru. Both vehicles came to rest on the roadway.

The Subaru driver suffered fatal injuries and was pronounced dead on the scene. The Subaru passenger was transported to Minot by helicopter for medical treatment. The Dodge driver was injured and transported to Minot by ambulance for medical treatment.

Names will be released at a later date.

Agencies involved: NDHP, McHenry Co. Sheriff's Office, Velva Fire Dept.

Injury Crash Mercer County 6/14/2016

Crash Date: 6/14/2016

Time of Crash: 7:10 a.m.

Location of Crash: Hwy 200, mp 911- Mercer County

Vehicle #1 Description: 2005 Kenworth driven by 58 year old Robert Walker of Box Elder, SD.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2006 Peterbilt driven by 41 year old Ronald Muresan of Williston, ND

Vehicle #3 Description: 2006 Peterbilt driven by Lavern Lee, South Shore, SD.

The Kenworth was traveling east on Highway 200A when the driver failed to negotiate a left hand turn in the roadway. The Kenworth crossed the center line and entered the westbound lane of travel. The Kenworth struck vehicle #2 in the driver's side rear triple axels, then struck vehicle #3 in the left front fender. The driver of the Kenworth was transported to the hospital where he was treated and released. The other drivers were uninjured. All three vehicles sustained disabling damage. The crash remains under investigation.

Agencies involved: ND Highway Patrol, Mercer & Oliver County Sheriff's Dept., Hazel Rescue, Oliver County Fire Dept.

Injury Crash Morton County 6/14/2016

Crash Date: 6/14/2016

Time of Crash: 11:22 a.m.

Location of Crash: I-94 at the Grant Marsh Bridge in Morton County

Vehicle #1 Description: 2012 Freightliner & 2016 Utility trailer, driven by 45 year old Solomon Gebrehewot from Alberta, Canada.

Vehicle #2 Description: 2013 Chevrolet Malibu, driven by 24 year old Preston Pollard from Bismarck.

The Chevrolet was eastbound on I-94 when the driver lost control of the vehicle in the rain. The Chevrolet entered the eastbound Freightliner's lane of travel. The Freightliner struck the Chevrolet at an angle. The driver of the freightliner was transported to Bismarck for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries. The driver of the Chevrolet was uninjured. The crash is under investigation.

Agencies involved: Morton County Sheriff's Office, ND Highway Patrol.

I-94 MM 303

Crash Date: 6/13/2016

Time of Crash: 6:25 p.m.

Location of Crash: I94, mile marker 303, eastbound, near Oriska Rest Area

Vehicle #1 Description: 2003 Pontiac Grand Am, driven by 33 year old Heather Marie Howard Butler, from Riverside, Iowa. One passenger, 35 year old Michael Jason Kemp from Santa Ana, Calif.

The Pontiac was eastbound on I-94 when the driver lost control of the vehicle and the Pontiac entered the south ditch of I-94. After entering the ditch, the Pontiac rolled, coming to rest in the south ditch on its wheels, facing northeast. The driver of the vehicle, Butler, was not restrained and was ejected during the crash and come to rest in the south ditch. The passenger, Kemp, remained in the vehicle during the crash, but it is unclear if he was restrained. Butler was transported via Sanford Life Flight from the scene to Sanford Hospital in Fargo for serious injuries. Kemp was transported by Barnes County Ambulance to Sanford Hospital and was treated and released. The crash remains under investigation.

Fatal Crash

Crash Date: 6/12/2016

Time of Crash: 10:35 p.m.

Location of Crash: Junction of Highway 83, 5 mi E and 1 mi N of Garrison

Vehicle #1 Description: 2015 Ford F250, driven by 28 year old male from Minot.

Vehicle #2 Description: Miller Nitro Sprayer driven by 57 year old male from Garrison

The Ford was northbound on Highway 83. The sprayer was traveling from east to west across Highway 83 on 17th St. NW, from a field to the operator's residence. The Ford struck the sprayer in the northbound lane, ejecting the sprayer operator. Both vehicles came to rest in the northbound lane. Both drivers were transported to Trinity Hospital in Minot. The Ford driver was treated and released that evening. The sprayer driver was pronounced dead at Trinity hospital. Names will be released at a later date.

Update 6/14: Names Released – Jon Henderson of Minot was the driver of the Ford pickup. Kelly Erdmann of Garrison was the operator of the sprayer.

McIntosh County Plane Crash

Crash Date: 6/9/2016

Time of Crash: 3:27 p.m.

Location of Crash: May Lake (1.5 Miles South of Wishek)

According to the ND Highway Patrol, on June 9, 2016, at 3:27 p.m., a 1964 Piper Cherokee, 4-seat airplane departed the Wishek Airport en route to Bismarck. Complications during the take-off resulted in the plane crashing in to May Lake, approximately 1.5 miles south of Wishek.

The pilot of the airplane was a 19 year old male. Two passengers included a 39 year old female and a 10 year old male. All three occupants in the plane suffered fatal injuries resulting from the crash. The names have not been released.

This crash remains under investigation by the FAA.

Agencies involved: Wishek Police Department, Logan County Sheriff's Office, McIntosh County Sheriff's Office, Ashley Ambulance, Wishek Fire, ND Highway Patrol.

Morton County Fatal Crash

Crash Date: 6/7/2016

Time of Crash: 4:27 p.m.

Location of Crash: Old Highway 10, 12 miles west of Mandan

According to the ND Highway Patrol, on June 7, 2016, at 4:27 p.m., a 2006 Ford F-150, driven by 35-year old Ryan Riveland of Mandan, entered the eastbound lane. The Ford swerved back into the westbound lane, striking the rear of a 1970 Chevrolet Pickup driven by 83 year old Robert Slavick of New Salem. Slavick was pushed into a ravine on the north side of the road. He died on scene.

Riveland was injured and his passenger, 24-year old Avis Stegall of Mandan was not injured. Charges against Riveland are pending the Morton County State's Attorney's review.

Agencies involved: ND Highway Patrol.