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## Minor Injury Vehicle-Train Crash in Northwood, ND

**What:** Minor injury

**Where:** Lander Avenue and Main Street, Northwood, ND

**When:** 12/28/2021 at approximately 3:35 PM CST

**Road Conditions:** Snow & ice-covered

**Weather Conditions:** Clear

**Crash Involvement:** Vehicle/Train

**Type of Crash:** Angle

**Agencies Involved:** NDHP, Northwood Police, Northwood Fire, Northwood Ambulance, BNSF

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2016 Ram 1500 pickup

**Driver No. 1:** Jacob Peterson; male; age 34; of Grand Forks, ND; minor injuries

**Restraints:** Seat belt worn, air bags not deployed

**Charges:** Failing to stop for approaching train, driving under suspension

**Train:** BNSF freight train consisting of 2 locomotives and 4 cars loaded with dry beans

**NARRATIVE:** Peterson was driving the Ram north on Main Street in Northwood, along the railroad tracks. He turned right onto Lander Avenue, and as he crossed the tracks at a grade crossing he drove in front of the northbound freight train. The train struck the front right corner of the Ram, pushing it into the ditch. Peterson was transported to Northwood Deaconess Health Center with minor injuries.

The train was moving approximately 25 mph at the time. No train crew members were injured. The grade crossing is marked with rail crossing signs and yield sign.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol

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