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Three-Vehicle Minor Injury DUI Crash on Highway 2 near Grand Forks, ND

What: minor injury

Where: westbound US Highway 2, approximately 2.5 miles west of Grand Forks, ND

When: July 1, 2021, approximately 2:35 PM

Road Conditions: Good, in work zone where both eastbound and westbound traffic are head-to-head sharing the normal eastbound lanes

Weather Conditions: Sunny

Crash Involvement: 3-vehicle

Type of Crash: Rear-end

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Grand Forks County Sheriff's Office, Altru Ambulance, Thompson Fire, Grand Forks Airport Fire

Vehicle No. 1:	2003 Chrysler Town & Country
Driver No. 1:	Betty Metcalf; female; age 54; of Emerado, ND; minor injuries
Restraints:	Seat belt in use, air bags deployed
Charges:	DUI

Vehicle No. 2:	2010 Toyota Avalon
Driver No. 2:	Grant Barker; male; age 24; of Prior Lake, MN; uninjured
Restraints:	Seatbelt in use, air bags deployed
Charges:	None

Vehicle No. 3:   2015 Ford Expedition

Driver No. 3:   Heather Henson; female; age 41; of Grand Forks Air Force Base, ND; uninjured

Restraints: Seat belt in use, no air bag deployed

Charges: None

Passenger No. 1:   Juvenile male; uninjured

Restraints: Seat belt in use

Passenger No. 2:   Juvenile female; uninjured

Restraints: Seat belt in use

NARRATIVE: Henson and Barker were driving their respective vehicles west on US Highway 2. They were stopped in traffic for a red light and congestion due to lane reduction. Barker was stopped in the Toyota behind Henson's Ford. Metcalf was driving the Chrysler west on US Highway 2 and failed to observe traffic stopped ahead. The front of the Chrysler struck the rear of Barker's Toyota, which pushed the front of the Toyota in the rear of Henson's Ford.

Henson and her passengers as well as Barker were uninjured. Metcalf was transported by ambulance to Altru Hospital with minor injuries.

Westbound traffic was impeded for approximately 45 minutes.

The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

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