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2 Vehicle Property Crash near Grand Forks Airport

What: Property

Where: US Highway 2 and Airport Road, 3 miles west of Grand Forks

When: 9/20/2021 @ 11:27 AM CST

Road Conditions: Wet

Weather Conditions: Raining, Overcast

Crash Involvement: Car v. Van

Type of Crash: Right angle/T-Bone Crash

Agencies Involved: NDHP

Vehicle No. 1: 2007 Honda Accord

Driver No. 1: Ali Almutairi, male, 21 yo, Saudi Arabia, no injuries

Restraints: Seatbelt

Charges: none

Vehicle No. 2: 1994 Ford Econoline

Driver No. 2: Warren Helgeson, 77 yo male, Rothsay, MN, no injuries

Restraints: seatbelt

Charges: citation for driving through a red light

Passenger No. 1: Janice Rudh, 83 yo, Rothsay, MN, no injuries

Restraints: seatbelt

NARRATIVE: Almutairi was driving southbound on Airport road coming from the airport. Almutairi had a green light and was proceeding through the intersection when the van, driven by Helgeson, was traveling westbound who drove through a red light and was struck by Almutairi. Helgeson was cited for driving through a red light. No occupant claimed injuries. The vehicles were blocking the intersection for a short time, but were removed from the highway.

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