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Crashes due to poor weather February 11th, 2022 -I29 & I94-Fargo area

NARRATIVE: During the morning of Friday, February 11th, the Fargo area experienced weather conditions that consisted of freezing rain, which then turned into snow. This along with high winds created icy road conditions, and limited visibility. NDHP Troopers responded to multiple motorists assists and crashes on I-29 and I-94 due to near white out conditions and the slippery roads. Some of these crashes resulted in injuries. Two injury crashes are described below.

At approximately 0844 hours on I-29 SB near the Gardner exit a Toyota Passenger car, operated by a 43-year-old male from Fargo, lost control of his vehicle causing it to come to rest across both south bound lanes of I-29. The driver of the Toyota exited his vehicle. A southbound Ford F-350, being operated by a 41-year-old male from Forest River, struck the Toyota in a sideswipe style collision. An International Semi-truck, being operated by a 26-year-old Fargo male, then rear ended the Toyota which pushed the Toyota into the driver of the Toyota, who was standing next to his vehicle. This final collision caused significant injury to the driver of the Toyota. The injured male was transported to Sanford Hospital in Fargo by private party and then FM Ambulance, and the 43 year old male is being treated for serious, non-life threatening injuries. The crash is still under investigation by the NDHP.

At approximately 0925 hours on I-29 NB north of Dwight a Ford F-250, being operated by a 48-year-old male from Hankinson, was involved in a minor collision that caused his Ford to come disabled in the left northbound lane of I-29. A northbound GMC Yukon, being operated by a 40-year-old male from Bixby, collided with the Ford in a rear end style collision. The GMC then became disabled in the left lane of I-29. The driver of the GMC exited his vehicle after the collision. The GMC was then struck by a northbound Mazda Speed, operated by a 19-year-old male from Jamestown, in a rear end style collision. A 38-year-old female passenger from Glendale AZ in the GMC sustained serious, non-life threatening injuries and was transported by EMS to the Breckenridge, MN Hospital. The driver of the Ford sustained serious, non-life threatening injuries and was transported by Dwight Fire to the Sanford Hospital in Fargo. The crash is still under investigation by the NDHP.



The NDHP would like to use this as an opportunity to remind the public to drive accordingly to weather conditions, which includes decreasing speeds, wearing your seat belt and leaving safe following distances between vehicles. Avoid driving during no travel advisories and have appropriate winter clothing and a car emergency kit in case your vehicle becomes disabled.

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