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UPDATED: McKenzie County Fatality Crash

What: Fatality crash

Where: Highway 23 near mile marker 6, approximately 6.5 miles east of Watford City, ND

When: 1/25/2022 at approximately 8:28 AM CST

Road Conditions: Icy

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Truck Tractor vs Passenger Car

Agencies Involved: NDHP, McKenzie County Sheriff's Office, Watford City Police Department, McKenzie County Ambulance, Watford City Rural Fire Department

Vehicle No. 1: 2014 Peterbilt hauling an empty side dump

Driver No. 1: Male, Steven Alderin - 58 years old, Watford City ND, Uninjured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Vehicle No. 2: 2000 Toyota Avalon

Driver No. 2: Male -16 years old, Watford City, ND, Fatal

Restraints: Unknown

NARRATIVE:

The Toyota Avalon was traveling eastbound in the left passing lane on Highway 23 near mile marker 6. The Toyota lost control on the icy roadway and crossed into westbound lane of travel in front an oncoming Peterbilt. The Peterbilt attempted to move to the right shoulder. The Peterbilt and Toyota collided at a right angle partially in the westbound lane and north shoulder. The driver of the Toyota was ejected and pronounced deceased at the scene.

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



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