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SINGLE VEHICLE ROLLOVER FATALITY CRASH

What: Two injuries, one fatality
Where: 212th St SW / Ward County Rd 24, approximately 5 miles west of Douglas
When: Friday, May 27, 2022 at 11:16 AM

Road Conditions: Dry, Clear
Weather Conditions: Cloudy, 14 mph crosswind
Crash Involvement: Single vehicle rollover
Type of Crash: End-over-end rollover
Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol
Ward County Sheriff’s Office
Northstar Air Ambulance
Garrison-Max Ambulance
Max Rural Fire
Garrison Rural Fire
Ryder Rural Fire

Vehicle No. 1: 2006 Nissan Xterra
Driver No. 1: Nathan Joel Wohlk, 42 years old, from Ryder, ND
Restraints: Not in use, front airbag deployed
Charges: N/A

Passenger No. 1: 13-year-old juvenile, female
Restraints: Seat belt in use

Passenger No. 2: 13-year-old juvenile female
Restraints: Seat belt in use

NARRATIVE: A silver 2006 Nissan Xterra was traveling west on Ward County Road 24 from the Max School, heading to a residence in rural Ryder. The Nissan was driven by Nathan Joel Wohlk, 42 years old, from Ryder, ND. The driver was not wearing a seat belt and the front passenger was wearing a seat belt. The driver was pronounced dead at the scene. The passenger suffered minor injuries and was transported to a local hospital. The crash site was located approximately 5 miles west of Douglas and was clear with dry conditions. The accident occurred on Friday, May 27, 2022 at 11:16 AM. Both the driver and passenger were transported by Northstar Air Ambulance. The agencies involved in the investigation were the North Dakota Highway Patrol, Ward County Sheriff’s Office, Northstar Air Ambulance, Garrison-Max Ambulance, Max Rural Fire, Garrison Rural Fire, and Ryder Rural Fire. The crash resulted in one fatality and two injuries. The driver was not wearing a seat belt and the front passenger was wearing a seat belt. The crash site was located approximately 5 miles west of Douglas and was clear with dry conditions. The accident occurred on Friday, May 27, 2022 at 11:16 AM. Both the driver and passenger were transported by Northstar Air Ambulance. The agencies involved in the investigation were the North Dakota Highway Patrol, Ward County Sheriff’s Office, Northstar Air Ambulance, Garrison-Max Ambulance, Max Rural Fire, Garrison Rural Fire, and Ryder Rural Fire. The crash resulted in one fatality and two injuries.
Wohlk and two juvenile passengers. The vehicle encountered a slow-moving row crop sprayer traveling the same direction. The vehicle drove into the right ditch as it approached the sprayer. The vehicle faulted off an approach and overturned end-over-end. The driver was partially ejected and was pronounced dead at the scene by the county coroner. The juveniles sustained injuries. One was transported to Trinity Hospital by ambulance, the other was transported by helicopter. Both injured juveniles have been treated and released from the hospital. This crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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