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Drug Seizure near Thompson

NARRATIVE: On 10/4/2022 around 8:35 pm, a state trooper made a routine traffic stop on I-29 approximately 1 mile south of Thompson. The vehicle was a 2017 Nissan Altima. During the traffic stop, the trooper developed probable cause to believe there were illegal drugs in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle led to the discovery of approximately 22.6 lbs of methamphetamine concealed inside the spare tire. 30-year-old Julian Madrigal and 26-year-old Alexa Martinez both from Chicago, IL were arrested and charged federally with the following charges:

1. Conspiracy to Distribute and Possess with Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances.
2. Possession with Intent to Distribute Methamphetamine (500 grams or more).

The NDHP was assisted by Grand forks Narcotics Task Force (GFNTF) along with the Grand Forks County Sheriff's Office. The estimated street value of the drugs is \$850,000.



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