

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE September 19, 2023

Fatal Plane Crash

What: Fatal Plane Crash
Where: Corn field located west of Highway 281 & 12th St SE (Five miles south of New Rockford)
When: September 19, 2023 at 12:32 P.M. Central Time
Road Conditions: NA
Weather Conditions: Partly Cloudy
Crash Involvement: Plane Crash
Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol, Eddy County Sheriff's Office, Foster County Sheriff's Office, New Rockford Ambulance, New Rockford Fire, Carrington Fire, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and the National Safety Transportation Board (NTSB).

Vehicle No. 1: 2012 Air Tractor (AT502) Driver No. 1: 63yr old male from Jamestown, ND Restraints: Harness Charges: None

NARRATIVE: An Air Tractor Agriculture plane was spraying a sunflower field on the east side of 281. The 63yr old pilot, was flying west after spraying a pass when he hit an electrical wire with his tail fin. The pilot lost control and crashed in the corn field on the west side of 281 north of 12th St SE. The 63yr old male died on scene.

The crash is under investigation by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

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