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Minot DUI Injury Crash

What: Two Vehicle Injury Crash

Where: Highway 2 Mile Marker 147, City of Minot

When: 1/31/2024 approximately 8:21 PM CST

Road Conditions: Dry

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Two Vehicle

Type of Crash: Head On Collision

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Ward County Sheriff's Office, Minot Rural Fire Department, Trinity

First Response

| Vehicle No. 1: Driver No. 1: Restraints: Charges: | 1996 Ford Explorer Male, 18 years old, Minot, ND, Serious Non-Life Threatening Injury Unknown Criminal Vehicular Injury, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia |
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| Vehicle No. 2: | 2008 Toyota Yaris |
| Driver No. 2: | Female, 18 years old, Minot, ND, Serious Life Threatening Injury |
| Restraints: | Lap and Shoulder Belt |
| Charges: | None |

NARRATIVE: A 1996 Ford Explorer was traveling westbound in the eastbound lanes of Highway 2 near mile marker 147 when it struck an eastbound 2008 Toyota Yaris head on. Both vehicles sustained major front end damage. The Ford came to rest in the painted gore area of the road and the Toyota came to rest in the turn lane. The driver of the Ford, an 18 year old male from Minot, sustained serious non-life threatening injuries and was transported via ambulance to Trinity Hospital. The driver of the Toyota, an 18 year old female from Minot,



sustained serious life threatening injuries and was transported via ambulance to Trinity Hospital.

On scene investigation revealed that the driver of the Ford was under the influence and in possession of narcotics. The driver, the 18 year old male from Minot, was subsequently arrested for Criminal Vehicular Injury, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

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

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