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## **Westbound I-94 MM 289 Injury Crash – July 1<sup>st</sup>**

**What:** One vehicle injury crash

**Where:** Westbound I-94 MM 289, one mile west of Valley City

**When:** Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at approximately 6:33 am

**Road Conditions:** Dry

**Type of Crash:** Vehicle left the roadway and struck the cable barrier

**Agencies Involved:** NDHP, Barnes County SO, Barnes County Ambulance, Valley City FD

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2016 Dodge Ram 1500  
**Driver No. 1:** Kelsie Schaack, 33 YOA, Jamestown, ND - injured  
**Restraints:** Improperly worn  
**Charges:** Failed to maintain lane

### **NARRATIVE:**

On July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, at approximately 6:33 am, Schaack was driving a 2016 Dodge Ram 1500 westbound on I-94 when the vehicle left the road and struck the cable median barrier.

After striking the cable barrier, the Dodge crossed the eastbound lanes of I-94 and entered the south ditch, coming to rest in the ditch.

The area Schaack struck the cable barrier was at the end of the section west of Valley City. Because the cable barrier ended, Schaack's vehicle was able to cross the median at the end of the barrier.

Schaack was improperly wearing her seat belt at the time of the crash. She had the lap belt across her lap, but shoulder strap was placed behind her seat.

Schaak was transported by Barnes County Ambulance to CHI Mercy Health in Valley City. She was treated and released for her injuries.

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