

**NEWS RELEASE** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE June 8, 2024

## **Crash and Vehicle Fire – Richland County near Walcott**

What: A vehicle left the roadway and caught fire
Where: 5500 block of 167<sup>th</sup> Ave SE – 4 miles north of Walcott
When: June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ approximately 7:30 pm
Road Conditions: Dry roads, clear skies
Type of Crash: Vehicle left the road and caught fire
Agencies Involved: NDHP, Walcott FD, Kindred FD

Vehicle No. 1:	2012 Ford Edge
Driver No. 1:	15 YOA male driver, Walcott, ND – no injuries
<b>Restraints:</b>	Restrained
Charges:	None

## **NARRATIVE:**

The 15 YOA male driver was northbound on 167<sup>th</sup> Ave SE about four miles north of Walcott and one mile south of Hwy. 46. The driver encountered a deer crossing the road and swerved to miss the deer.

The Ford entered the west ditch and drove into a field. The Ford became stuck in the field upright and caught fire in the corn stubble. The driver was able to extricate himself from the vehicle and get to safety.

Kindred Fire Department responded and extinguished the fire. There were no injuries in this crash and only the vehicle caught fire. The vehicle was a total loss.





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