

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

Northbound I-29 Ambulance Fire – Near Colfax

What: Day County, SD Ambulance vehicle fire

Where: I-29 MM 36, northbound – 2 miles southeast of Colfax

When: June 8th, 2024 @ approximately 9:15 pm

Road, Weather & Light Conditions: Dry roads, clear, dusk

Type of Crash: Ambulance fire

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Richland County SO, Colfax FD, Breckenridge-Wahpeton Ambulance

Vehicle No. 1: An unknown year Ford ambulance – Day County, SD Ambulance Service
Driver No. 1: David Dulitz, 71 YOA, Webster, SD
Restraints: Restrained
Charges: None
Passenger No. 1: Day County Ambulance EMT
Passenger No. 2: Unknown patient

NARRATIVE:

A Day County, SD Ambulance Service ambulance was northbound on I-29 when it caught fire in lane one. The driver of the ambulance came to stop in lane one and assisted the other EMT in removing a patient from the rear of the ambulance.

Both EMT's and the patient they were transporting were able to safely get away from the ambulance. The ambulance was a total loss and caused northbound I-29 to be closed for approximately 45 minutes while the fire was put out.

The patient being transported was transferred into the care of a Breckenridge-Wahpeton Ambulance and transferred to Sanford Hospital in Fargo.

The ambulance was a total loss. The name of the patient and second EMT won't be released.

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

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