

NEWS RELEASE | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | November 25, 2024

Multiple-Vehicle Injury Crash

What: Injury crash

Where: Interstate 94 eastbound, mile marker 336, 2 miles west of Mapleton

When: November 24, 2024 at approximately 11:30 p.m. CT

Road Conditions: Ice-covered

Weather Conditions: Crosswinds

Crash Involvement: Three semi truck/trailer combinations, one SUV

Type of Crash: Jackknifed semis/rear-end crashes

Agencies Involved: ND Highway Patrol, Cass County Sheriff's Office
Casselton Fire, Casselton Ambulance

Vehicle No. 1: 2013 Freightliner/box trailer
Driver No. 1: Ahmed Abdi; 42, male; Hopkins, MN; not injured
Passenger No. 1: Abdulahi Macow; 32, male; Burnsville, MN; not injured
Restraints: Seat belts in use
Charges: Care required

Vehicle No. 2: 2025 Volvo/double box trailers
Driver No. 2: Dudley Larrison; 35, male; Bismarck, ND; not injured
Restraints: Seat belt in use
Charges: None

Vehicle No. 3: 2022 Chevrolet Tahoe
Driver No. 3: Williametta Barkar; 26, female; West Fargo, ND; minor injuries
Restraints: Seat belt in use; outside vehicle for second crash
Charges: None

Vehicle No. 4: 2021 Western Star/sand trailer
Driver No. 4: Berry Nasea; 73 male; Avonlea, SK; minor injuries
Restraints: Seat belt in use
Charges: None

NARRATIVE: Interstate 94 was covered in ice. The first truck/trailer combination (Vehicle 1) lost control and jackknifed while traveling eastbound. The vehicle went into the median with part of the trailer blocking the roadway. The second truck/trailer combination (Vehicle 2) came upon the truck/trailer in the median and attempted to brake, losing control on the ice. Vehicle 2 then jackknifed and also entered the median, with the two trailers blocking part of the eastbound lane. The SUV (Vehicle 3) approached the vehicles and struck Vehicle 2 and became disabled in the roadway. The driver exited the vehicle and moved to the south ditch and was outside the vehicle for the next crash. The third truck/trailer combination (Vehicle 4) attempted to brake, jackknifed, and struck the SUV. Vehicle 3 and Vehicle 4 went into the south ditch/shoulder. The driver of the SUV was transported to a local hospital with minor injuries from the first impact. The driver of Vehicle 4 was transported to a local hospital with minor injuries.

Vehicles blocked the eastbound lanes of Interstate 94 for approximately three hours while tow companies cleared the vehicles from the scene. Traffic was detoured for approximately three hours. The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

Due to the icy roads and crosswinds, a Travel Alert was issued for Cass County. Several other vehicles have lost control and driven off the roadway. Morning travel on Monday, November 25 will include icy roads, so the public is urged to use caution and drive appropriately. Remember to slow down, provide adequate following distances, and drive distraction-free.

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