

NEWS RELEASE | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | September 20, 2024

Dickey County fatal crash

What: Two vehicle fatal crash

Where: Highway 281 and State Line Road (4 miles south of Ellendale, ND)

When: September 18th, 2024 at 7:05 A.M. Central Time

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: A SUV rearended a Pickup

Agencies Involved:

North Dakota Highway Patrol

Dickey County Sheriff's Office

Brown County Sheriff's

Frederick Fire & Rescue

Frederick Ambulance

Aberdeen Ambulance-Medic One

Vehicle No. 1: 2021 Subaru Ascent

Driver No. 1: Vernon Dalstein Jr., 63, Ellendale, ND – Fatal

Restraints: unknown

Charges: None

Passenger No. 1: Sherry Dalstein, 63. Ellendale, ND- injured

Restraints: Seatbelt

Charges: None

Vehicle No. 2: 2004 GMC Sierra

Driver No. 2: George, Wiehahn, 41, Ellendale, ND-injured

Restraints: Not belted

Charges: None

Narrative:

A GMC Sierra driven by George Wiehahn was southbound on Highway 281. George had slowed to make a left turn to go east on State Line Rd. At that time a Subaru Ascent driven by

Vernon Dalstein was southbound on Highway 281 when he struck the rear of the GMC Sierra. Both vehicles left the roadway. The Subaru Ascent came to rest in a slough nearby.

EMS responders arrived on scene and provided treatment to those involved. Both Vernon and Sherry Dalstein were transported to Avera St. Lukes Hospital in Aberdeen.

George Wiehahn and Sherry Dalstein both sustained minor injuries in the crash. Vernon Dalstein Jr. sustained serious injuries in the crash. Vernon died as a result of those injuries later in the day on September 18th.

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

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