

**NEWS RELEASE** | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | September 22, 2024

**FATAL CRASH NORTH OF WILTON ON US83**

**\*\*UPDATE\*\***

**What:** Fatal Crash

**Where:** US83 at mile marker 112.8, at the intersection with ND41  
On the north side of Wilton

**When:** Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 3:30 PM CST

**Road Conditions:** Dry, good seasonal conditions

**Weather Conditions:** Clear skies, 83F, 13mph southerly wind

**Crash Involvement:** Vehicle/Vehicle

**Type of Crash:** Right angle

**Agencies Involved:** North Dakota Highway Patrol  
Wilton Ambulance  
Metro Ambulance  
McLean County Sheriff's Office

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2005 Chevrolet Malibu

**Driver No. 1:** Wanda Schlichenmayer, 72, Mercer, ND **FATAL INJURIES**

**Restraints:** Under investigation

**Charges:** None

**Vehicle No. 2:** 2012 Chevrolet Silverado **Minor Injuries**

**Driver No. 2:** Gaige Allard, 32, Belcourt, ND

**Restraints:** Under Investigation

**Charges:** None

**Passenger No. 1:** Karli Fox, 24, New Town, ND **Minor Injuries**

**Restraints:** Under Investigation

**NARRATIVE:** A 2005 Chevrolet Malibu, driven by Wanda Schlichenmayer, was traveling west on ND41 as it approached US83. The Malibu did not stop at the stop sign, attempting to cross US83's northbound lane. A 2012 Chevrolet Silverado, driven by Gaige Allard, was

traveling north on US83 in the right lane at the time. **Mr. Allard** observed the Malibu approaching the intersection, so he changed lanes trying to avoid a collision. The vehicles collided in the northbound lane. Both vehicles came to rest in the median. The grass in the median caught fire. The Silverado was able to be driven away from the grass fire. The fire was extinguished right away by the Wilton fire department.

**Ms. Schlichenmayer** was extricated to safety and was transported by ambulance to Sanford Medical Center in Bismarck where she was pronounced deceased.

**Mr. Allard and the passenger, Karli Fox**, sustained minor injuries. **Mr. Allard** was arrested for an outstanding arrest warrant.

This crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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