

NEWS RELEASE | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | April 14, 2025

Barnes County Wrong-Way Fatality Crash

What: Fatality/Serious Injury

Where: Westbound I94 Mile Marker 278, approximately 2 miles southeast of Eckelson

When: 4-14-25 12:58 PM CST

Road Conditions: Good

Weather Conditions: Cloudy

Crash Involvement: Vehicle/Vehicle

Type of Crash: Head-on

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Barnes County Sheriff's Department, Valley City/Sanborn Fire Department, Barnes County Ambulance

Vehicle No. 1: 2025, Toyota Camry

Driver No. 1: 44-year-old Male, Mandan, ND, fatality

Restraints: Seatbelt/Airbag

Charges: Under Investigation

Vehicle No. 2: 2024, Chevrolet Traverse

Driver No. 2: 74-year-old Male, Bismarck, ND, serious nonlife-threatening injuries.

Restraints: Seatbelt/Airbag

Charges: Under Investigation

NARRATIVE:

On April 14th, 2025 at 12:58 pm a Toyota Camry was traveling eastbound in the westbound lanes of I94 at mile marker 278 near Eckelson, when it struck the Chevrolet Traverse head-on. The Toyota came to final rest in the median, the Chevrolet came to final rest in the westbound driving lanes. The driver of the Toyota was pronounced deceased on scene. The driver of the

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Chevrolet sustained serious, non-life-threatening injury and was transported to Mercy Hospital in Valley City and then to Sanford Hospital in Fargo.

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

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