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Stutsman County Train Crash UPDATE

What: Injury

Where: 3600 block 74th Ave SE, 2 miles west of Eldridge

When: June 27th, 2025 11:54 PM CST

Road Conditions: Wet

Weather Conditions: Raining

Crash Involvement: Vehicle/Train

Type of Crash: Angle

Agencies Involved: Stutsman County Sheriff's Department, Jamestown Ambulance,
Jamestown Fire Department

Vehicle No. 1: 2004 Chevrolet Silverado

Driver No. 1: John Wahl, 27, Jamestown, ND

Restraints: Seatbelt

Charges: Driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, under investigation

NARRATIVE: On June 27 at approximately 11:54 PM, John Wahl was driving a Chevrolet Silverado southbound on 74th Ave SE approximately two miles west of Eldridge. A Burlington Northern Sante Fe (BNSF) train was westbound on the rail line. Wahl failed to yield and attempted to cross the railroad tracks. The BNSF train struck the rear of the Chevrolet, spinning it off the tracks. Wahl was medically treated on scene and arrested for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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