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## SLOPE COUNTY INJURY CRASH UPDATE

**What:** Injury Crash

**Where:** Highway 21, MM 10, west of New England

**When:** Tuesday, January 20, 5:49 p.m. Mountain Time

**Road Conditions:** wet, blowing snow across the roadway

**Weather Conditions:** light snow

**Crash Involvement:** Vehicle/fixed object strike

**Type of Crash:** Roadway departure

**Agencies Involved:** North Dakota Highway Patrol, Slope County Sheriff's Office, Hettinger County Sheriff's Office, New England Ambulance, New England Fire

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2013 Dodge Caravan

**Driver No. 1:** Donald Beckman, 64, Belfield, injured

**Restraints:** Seatbelt in use

**Charges:** Disregarding a Stop Sign (moving violation)

**Passenger No. 1:** Abby Clyde, 41, Belfield, serious injuries

**Restraints:** Seatbelt in use

**NARRATIVE:** On Tuesday, January 20 at approximately 5:49 p.m., a 2013 Dodge Caravan driven by Donald Beckman was traveling south on 126<sup>th</sup> Ave Southwest in Slope County. Beckman missed the turn onto Highway 21 and traveled over the highway into a farmyard striking a parked car trailer. Beckman and passenger, Abby Clyde, were injured and taken to CHI St. Alexius Medical Center in Dickinson.

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

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