

**NEWS RELEASE** | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | April 17, 2019

## **Injury Crash in McKenzie County**

**What:** Injury Crash

**Where:** HWY 85 MM 113 on the North side of Grassy Butte

**When:** April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2130 Hours

**Road Conditions:** Asphalt roadway, wet from rain

**Weather Conditions:** Dark, raining

**Crash Involvement:** Vehicle/Vehicle

**Type of Crash:** Head-on

**Agencies Involved:** McKenzie County Sheriff's Office, McKenzie County Ambulance, Grassy Butte Fire Dept, NDHP

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2017 Toyota Tundra Pickup  
**Driver No. 1:** Brett Murchison, 27, Grassy Butte, ND, injured  
**Restraints:** Seatbelt, airbag  
**Charges:** Criminal Vehicular Injury

**Vehicle No. 2:** 2018 GMC Sierra Pickup  
**Driver No. 2:** Tony Hauck, 46, Dickinson, ND, injured  
**Restraints:** Seatbelt  
**Charges:** None

## **NARRATIVE:**

Murchison was traveling northbound on Highway 85 at excessive speeds when he lost control and crossed over the centerline. Murchison struck Hauck head on in the southbound lane. Murchison was pinned in the vehicle and had to be extricated. Both vehicles sustained extensive front end damage and were totaled. Both Murchison and Hauck were injured in the



crash and transported via ambulance to CHI St. Alexius in Dickinson. Murchison was placed under arrest for DUI (Criminal Vehicular Injury) at the scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

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