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Tractor Fatality

What: Fatality

Where: 247 148th Ave NE approximate north of 2nd St NE, 3.5miles SW of Portland, ND

When: 07/12/2019 @ 17:13 PM

Road Conditions: Good

Weather Conditions: Clear, Sunny

Crash Involvement: 1 vehicle

Type of Crash: Rollover

Agencies Involved: Portland Fire and Rescue, West Traill Ambulance, Traill County Sheriff's Office, NDHP

Vehicle No. 1: John Deere 3020 Tractor

Driver No. 1: 77 yo male, Alton Anderson

Restraints: None

Charges: None

NARRATIVE: A John Deere 3020 was traveling northbound in the east ditch pulling a sickle mower cutting grass for hay. The driver turned left to travel up the in-slope (toward the roadway) to go around a culvert opening in the bottom of the ditch. The front right tire of the tractor encountered a sink hole and the front right tire dropped into the hole. The tractor rolled onto its top as a result, crushing the driver. The tractor was not equipped with a roll bar or cab. The driver died at the scene because of his injuries.

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