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NDDOT Snowplow Struck

What: Property

Where: I-94 mm 142, 6 miles west of Mandan

When: March 14, 2019 at 9:12 a.m.

Road Conditions: No Travel Advisory in effect due to blowing and drifting snow.

Weather Conditions: Windy causing blowing and drifting snow.

Crash Involvement: Vehilce/Vehicle

Type of Crash: Rear-End

Agencies Involved: NDHP

Vehicle No. 1: 2018, Volvo, Truck

Driver No. 1: Roberto Cortez, male, 59 yoa, Highland, Ca, Not injured

Restraints: Shoulder and Lap Belt Used

Charges: Careless Driving

Vehicle No. 2: 2010, Mack, Truck (NDDOT Snowplow)

Driver No. 2: Jesse Nelson, male, 37 yoa, Bismarck, ND, Not injured

Restraints: Shoulder and Lap Belt Used

Charges: None

NARRATIVE:

Cortez was traveling westbound on I-94 in the driving lane. NDDOT employee Nelson was engaged in road clearing operations traveling westbound on I-94. Cortez's vehicle struck the back of the snowplow causing Cortez's vehicle to enter the median. Neither driver was injured in the crash. A no travel advisory was in effect at the time of the crash.

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