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Pedestrian/Vehicle Fatal Crash Sargent County Rd 10

Fargo, ND –

On March 26th, at approximately 6:30 am 6 miles south of Rutland ND, a 2002 Honda Odyssey Van driven by Sharilyn Summers (54) of Britton SD was traveling north on Sargent County Road 10 from Britton to Gwinner ND. The Honda van came upon a parked Sargent County Road Department GMC pickup that was facing south in the northbound lane. It was not immediately apparent to Summers that the GMC pickup was parked in her lane and Summers made an evasive maneuver to avoid striking the GMC, turning right toward the east ditch. Members of the Sargent County Road Department crew were placing warning signs on the shoulder of the road and were not in the pickup. The Honda van struck the front driver side tire of the GMC pickup and continued to travel into the east ditch. The Honda van then struck Virgil Nogowski of Gwinner (60) a Sargent County employee who was working on the shoulder of the road. Nogowski was in transport to the Lisbon Medical Center when he died from his injuries. Summers was not injured in the crash.

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

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