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Bridge Struck by Oversize Load

What: Property Crash

Where: I-94 MP 62, 10th Ave E bridge in Dickinson

When: 05/05/2019 6:15 a.m. MT

Road Conditions: Good

Weather Conditions: Cloudy

Crash Involvement: Vehicle/Bridge Overhead

Agencies Involved: NDHP, ND DOT, Stark County Sheriff’s Department

Vehicle No. 1: 2001 Freightliner pulling oversize air seeder

Driver No. 1: Male, 68 years old, Loren Yates, Mobridge, SD. Not injured

Restraints: Seat belt worn

Charges: Driving without an oversize permit

Passenger No. 1: Female, 70 years old, Linda Yates, Mobridge, SD. Not injured

Restraints: Seat belt worn

NARRATIVE: The 2001 Freightliner, driven by Loren Yates, was pulling an oversize air seeder eastbound on Interstate 94 from Williston to South Dakota. The oversize load was 16 feet 6 inches high. The vertical clearance of the 10th Ave E bridge at MP 62 on Interstate 94 is 16 feet 2 inches. The air seeder struck the underside of the bridge with both wings of the plow. The bridge sustained minor damage. The air seeder sustained moderate damage from the impact with the bridge. ND DOT was contacted and inspected the damage to the bridge. No one was injured in the crash. Loren Yates was cited for failing to have an oversize permit.

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