

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE November 20, 2020

## **Barnes County Pursuit**

On November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at approximately 11:21 A.M., Law Enforcement was dispatched to a reckless driver traveling north bound on Barnes County Road 21, south of Kathryn. A North Dakota Highway Patrol (NDHP) Trooper located the vehicle, a silver Nissan Cube, and attempted to conduct a traffic stop on Co. Rd. 21. The suspect did not stop and fled from the trooper, northbound on Co. Rd. 21.

Area law enforcement assisted the Highway Patrol in pursuing the suspect on Barnes County roads, on I-94 and into Valley City. The suspect created a serious risk to the public and officers. The suspect was attempting to drive into oncoming vehicles and brake checking officers. Due to the increase risk to the public, troopers attempted to utilize tire deflation devices and eventually conducted a Pursuit Intervention Technique (PIT) maneuver and disabled the suspect vehicle, at approximately 12:11 P.M.

Kevin Anderson, 49, of Fort Ransom was taken into custody by the NDHP. Anderson is charged with driving under the influence, reckless endangerment, fleeing in a motor vehicle, possession of a controlled substance, and resisting arrest. The incident is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol. Anderson is in the custody of the Barnes County Jail.

No motorists were struck by Anderson during the pursuit.

Agencies assisting the NDHP were the Barnes County Sheriff's Office and Valley City Police Department.

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