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Grand Forks County Sobriety Checkpoint Results

NARRATIVE: On Friday, October 9, 2020, a sobriety checkpoint was held in Grand Forks County. The checkpoint was held on Interstate 29 at the Demers Exit in Grand Forks. The checkpoint was open from 8:13 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. All traffic that exited onto Demers Avenue was screened. A total of 199 vehicles passed through the checkpoint. Vehicles were stopped at the checkpoint for about 15-20 seconds, with very little wait time before drivers spoke with a trooper. The screening of 4 drivers took place for impairment with no arrests being made during the checkpoint.

Patrol saturations were also conducted in Grand Forks County from October 9 to the morning of October 11. Troopers conducted 45 traffic stops and made 1 arrest for impaired driving and 1 arrest for driving under revocation.

So far this year thirty three percent of drivers were positive for alcohol when they were the driver involved in a fatality crash. The Highway Patrol remains committed to reducing the number of impaired drivers on North Dakota roadways.

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