

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE October 20, 2020

## **Richland County Crash**

What: Fatal Crash

Where: County Road 81 (1 mile North of Highway 11-6 miles west of Fairmount)

When: October 20, 2020, 720 PM

**Road Conditions:** Wet and slushy gravel road

Weather Conditions: Cloudy with some wind and snowfall

**Crash Involvement:** Two vehicles

**Type of Crash:** Head on impact

**Agencies Involved:** NDHP, Richard County Sheriff, Hankinson Ambulance, Fairmount crash

rescue

Vehicle No. 1: 1999 Honda CRV

**Driver No. 1:** Male, 71; Fairmount, ND Fatal

**Restraints:** No Seat Belt, Airbags

Charges: N/A

Vehicle No. 2: 2014 9410R John Deere four-wheel drive, pulling cultivator

**Driver No. 2:** Charles Schultz, 71; Hankinson, ND; No Injury

**Restraints:** Seat Belt, Airbags

**Charges:** 

**NARRATIVE:** The Honda was traveling northbound on CR 81. The John Deere was traveling southbound on CR 81. Around a mile north of Highway 11, the John Deere attempted move to the shoulder and the Honda struck the left front outside dual of the John Deere. The driver of the Honda was removed from the vehicle and treated by first responders and then transported to St. Francis Hospital in Breckenridge, MN and was pronounced deceased at 8:44 PM. The driver of the John Deere was not injured.

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

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