

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE October 17, 2022

## **Pursuit on Highway 2 near Emerado**

**NARRATIVE:** On October 17th, 2022, at approximately 2:15 PM a NDHP Trooper attempted to stop a Ford Mustang for speeding at a speed of 85 mph in a 70-mph zone. The driver of the vehicle fled from the Trooper traveling eastbound on US Highway 2 traveling at speeds over 120 mph. During the pursuit the fleeing Ford Mustang traveled southbound on Grand Forks County Road 3 to Eagle Avenue.

NDHP Troopers attempted to utilize spike strips near the Reynolds and Buxton to stop the pursuit, but the utilization of the spike strips was not effective due to the vehicle turning south onto Traill County Road 26. The vehicle then went eastbound on 13<sup>th</sup> St NE then again south onto 162<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE. The vehicle then crossed the interstate via an overhead bridge and went southbound onto Traill County Road 81.

The driver, identified as Jesse Saldviar a 45 yo male from Fargo, ND, eventually stopped at the intersection of Traill County Road 81 and 6<sup>th</sup> St NE just north of the Hillsboro Beet Plant. The driver was arrested for the following charges without incident:

- 1. Driving under the influence B misdemeanor
- 2. Driving under suspension 2<sup>nd</sup> offense A Misdemeanor
- 3. Fleeing a peace officer  $4^{th}$  or subsequent offense C Felony
- 4. Unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, Schedule 1-3 2<sup>nd</sup> offense C Felony

The vehicle was towed from the scene. Other agencies involved were the Grand Forks County Sheriff's Office, Bureau of Criminal Investigations, and Traill County Sheriff's Office. The case is still under investigation by the NDHP.

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