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UPDATE

2 Vehicle Head On Fatality Crash North Bismarck

What: Fatality

Where: On 71st Ave NE(east of intersection of 26th St NE), Bismarck

When: 12/11/2023 at 7:22 AM CST

Road Conditions: Frost Covered

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Vehicle/Vehicle

Type of Crash: Head On

Agencies Involved: ND Highway Patrol, Burleigh County Sheriff's Department, Metro Area Ambulance, Bismarck Rural Fire Department, Bismarck Fire Department

Vehicle No. 1: 2001 Chevrolet Silverado

Driver No. 1: Keith Manchester, 57-year-old male from Bismarck, Serious non-life-threatening injuries.

Restraints: Unknown

Charges: Under Investigation

Vehicle No. 2: 2012 Chevrolet Silverado

Driver No. 2: Leo Grosz, 54-year-old male from Mandan, Fatality

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Charges: None

NARRATIVE: 2001 Chevy Silverado, driven by Keith Manchester, was traveling westbound on 71st Ave NE just outside Bismarck City Limits. Manchester crossed over the centerline and into the eastbound lane of 71st Ave NE. Manchester struck a 2012 Chevy Silverado that was traveling eastbound head on. 2012 Silverado was pushed into the south ditch and the 2001 Silverado came to rest in the roadway. Driver of 2012 Silverado, Leo Grosz, was extricated from pickup and transported to CHI St. Alexius where he died from his injuries. Manchester was also

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transported to CHI for serious non-life threatening injuries. Roadway was closed and rerouted for approximately 2 hours. Crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol

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