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## **Ward County Two Vehicle Injury Crash**

**What:** Serious Injury Crash

**Where:** US Highway 2 MM 133 approximately 12 miles west of Minot, ND

**When:** 04/23/2024 at approximately 0341 PM

**Road Conditions:** Good

**Weather Conditions:** Sunny

**Crash Involvement:** Vehicle/Vehicle

**Type of Crash:** Angle Collision

**Agencies Involved:** Burlington Police Department, Ward County Sheriff's Office, North Dakota Highway Patrol, Burlington Fire, and Trinity First Response

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2016 Ford F150

**Driver No. 1:** Robert Meridith, Male, 47, Williston, ND, Minor Injuries

**Restraints:** No Seatbelt in Use

**Charges:** No Charges Filed

**Passenger No. 1:** Jacob Meade, Male, 47, Epping, ND, No Injuries

**Restraints:** Seatbelt in Use

**Passenger No. 2:** Tyler Button, Male, 29, Williston, ND No Injuries

**Restraints:** No Seatbelt in Use

**Vehicle No. 2:** 2011 Kia Sorento

**Driver No. 2:** Female, 16 (Juvenile), Serious Injuries

**Restraints:** Seatbelt in Use

**Charges:** Pending Investigation

**Passenger No. 1:** Female, 16 (Juvenile), Serious Injuries

**Restraints:** Seatbelt in Use

**NARRATIVE:** Vehicle 1 was merging from US Highway 52 southbound onto US Highway 2 westbound when Vehicle 2, a northbound vehicle, failed to yield at the intersection of Ward County 13 and US Highway 2. Vehicle 1 overturned and entered the north ditch and came to rest on its roof. Vehicle 2 came to rest in the north ditch on its tires. The occupants of vehicle 2 were transported to Trinity Hospital in Minot, ND with suspected serious injuries.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol. The names of the juveniles will not be released.

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