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WILLIAMS COUNTY FATAL CRASH

What: Fatal Crash

Where: 124th Avenue Northwest near 53rd Street Northwest

When: May 2, 2026, at 4:48 p.m.

Road Conditions: Gravel (normal conditions)

Weather Conditions: Sunny

Crash Involvement: Vehicle vs Vehicle

Type of Crash: Head-on

Agencies Involved: North Dakota State Patrol, Williams County Sheriff's Office, Williston Ambulance, Williston Rural Fire

Vehicle No. 1: 2004 Dodge Dakota
Driver No. 1: Male, 18, Epping, fatal injuries
Restraints: No seat belt in use

Vehicle No. 2: 2023 Ford F-150
Driver No. 2: Male, 42, Williston, minor injuries
Restraints: Seat belt in use
Charges: None

NARRATIVE: On May 2, 2026, at 4:48 p.m., a 2004 Dodge Dakota was traveling southbound on 124th Avenue Northwest cresting a hill on the wrong side of the road at a high rate of speed. At the same time, a 2023 Ford F-150 was traveling northbound. The vehicles struck head-on. The driver of the Dodge died from injuries sustained in the crash. The driver of the Ford suffered minor injuries.

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

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