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ROLETTE COUNTY FATAL CRASH UPDATE

May 31 Update:

Driver No. 1: David St. Claire, 49, Dunseith, fatal injuries

What: Fatality Crash

Where: 9881 28th Ave Northeast, Dunseith

When: May 30, 2026, at 1:59 a.m.

Road Conditions: Dry

Weather Conditions: Dry / Nighttime

Crash Involvement: Single Vehicle

Type of Crash: Vehicle vs. Fixed Object

Agencies Involved: North Dakota State Patrol, Rolette County Sheriff's Office, Dunseith Police Department, Dunseith Fire Department, Belcourt Fire Department, Dunseith Ambulance Service, Belcourt Ambulance Service

Vehicle No. 1: 2001 Chevrolet Silverado K1500

Driver No. 1: Male, 49, Dunseith, Fatal injuries

Restraints: No seat belt in use

NARRATIVE: On May 30, 2026, at approximately 1:59 a.m., a Chevrolet Silverado K1500 was traveling southbound on 28th Avenue Northeast, south of the intersection with 99th Street Northeast, at an unknown speed. The Chevrolet failed to negotiate a curve, lost control, and struck a tree. The driver was not wearing a seat belt and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

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

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