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RICHLAND COUNTY INJURY CRASH UPDATE

Update May 9:

Driver No. 1: Shaena Kelsen, 20, West Fargo, injured
Passenger No. 1: Kylie Wise, 19, Moorhead, MN, injured

What: Injury Crash

Where: 5400 Block Highway 81, 3 miles north of Christine

When: May 7, 2026, at 11:35 p.m.

Road Conditions: Normal

Weather Conditions: Dry/Dark

Crash Involvement: Single Vehicle

Type of Crash: Rollover

Agencies Involved: North Dakota State Patrol, Richland Sheriff's Office, Cass County Sheriff's Office, Christine Fire Department, Kindred Ambulance, Sanford AirMed

Vehicle No. 1: 2026 Honda Civic
Driver No. 1: Female, 20, West Fargo, injured
Restraints: No seat belt in use
Charges: Driving under the influence - B Misdemeanor, Criminal Vehicular Injury - B Felony

Passenger No. 1: Female, 19, Moorhead, MN, injured
Restraints: Seat belt in use

NARRATIVE: On May 7, 2026, at approximately 11:35 p.m. a cellular emergency crash detection system alerted 911 to a possible crash in the 5400 block of Richland County Highway 81. A 2026 Honda Civic was found crashed at the scene. The Honda was traveling northbound on County Road 81 at an apparent high rate of speed when it failed to negotiate a curve to the west. The Honda entered the east ditch, vaulted, and rolled.

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Both occupants sustained serious injuries. The driver was flown to Sanford Hospital in Fargo. The passenger was transported by ambulance to Sanford Hospital in Fargo. The driver was charged with driving under the influence and criminal vehicular injury.

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

Contact information: Lt. Jenna Clawson Huibregtse, ndhpsafetyedu@nd.gov, 701-328-2447

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