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DICKEY COUNTY INJURY CRASH UPDATE

Update August 2:

Driver No. 1: Mark Orrell, 48, North Little Rock, AR, seriously injured

What: Injury

Where: Highway 11 at mile marker 73, 5 miles west of Ellendale

When: July 31, 2026, at 4:35 p.m.

Road Conditions: Dry

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Single vehicle

Type of Crash: Rollover

Agencies Involved: North Dakota State Patrol, Dickey County Sheriff's Office, Ellendale Ambulance, Ellendale Fire & Rescue, Avera Careflight

Vehicle No. 1: 2000 Toyota Tundra

Driver No. 1: Male, 48, North Little Rock, AR, seriously injured

Restraints: No seat belt in use

Charges: Driving under the influence

NARRATIVE: On July 31, 2026, at approximately 4:35 p.m., a 2000 Toyota Tundra was traveling eastbound on Highway 11 near mile marker 73, approximately five miles west of Ellendale, when it left the roadway. The driver overcorrected, causing the vehicle to roll into the north ditch. The driver was not wearing a seat belt and sustained serious injuries. The driver was airlifted to Sanford Medical Center in Fargo for treatment.

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



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