

**NEWS RELEASE** | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | March 8, 2026

## **BARNES COUNTY FATAL CRASH**

**What:** Fatality

**Where:** I-94, Mile Marker 298

**When:** March 8, 2026, at 4:09 a.m. Central Time

**Road Conditions:** Good

**Weather Conditions:** Dark / clear

**Crash Involvement:** Vehicle vs fixed object

**Type of Crash:** Fixed object

**Agencies Involved:** North Dakota State Patrol, Valley City Police Department, Barnes County Sheriff's Department, Barnes County Ambulance, Barnes County Fire Department

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2016 Jeep Grand Cherokee

**Driver No. 1:** Female, 26, Jamestown, fatal

**Restraints:** Seat belt not in use

**NARRATIVE:** On March 8, 2026, at 4:09 a.m., a 2016 Jeep Grand Cherokee was traveling eastbound in the westbound lanes of I-94. At mile marker 298, the vehicle departed the roadway and struck a bridge support on the north side of the roadway. The driver was pronounced deceased at the scene as a result of injuries sustained in the crash.

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

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