



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

WALSH COUNTY INJURY CRASH

What: Injury crash

Where: I-29 (northbound), mile marker 175, approximately 10 miles east of Grafton

When: Monday, September 7, 9:19 p.m.

Road Conditions: Dry

Weather Conditions: Dry

Crash Involvement: Pickup/Vehicle/SUV

Type of Crash: Rear-end/angle

Agencies Involved: North Dakota State Patrol, Walsh County Sheriff's Office, Grafton Volunteer Fire Department, Valley Ambulance and Rescue

Vehicle No. 1: 2024 GMC Sierra

Driver No. 1: Male, 50, Bathgate, not injured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Charges: Under investigation

Vehicle No. 2: 2018 Toyota Yaris

Driver No. 2: Male, 55, Winnipeg, MB, injured

Restraints: Under investigation

Charges: Under investigation

Passenger No. 1: Juvenile, injured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Passenger No. 2: Juvenile, serious, life-threatening injuries

Restraints: Seatbelt not in use

Vehicle No. 3: 2017 Toyota Highlander

Driver No. 3: Female, 22, Winnipeg, MB, not injured

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Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Passenger No. 1: Female, 51, Winnipeg, MB, not injured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Passenger No. 2: Male, 19, Winnipeg, MB, not injured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Passenger No. 3: Male, 67, Winnipeg, MB, not injured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

NARRATIVE: On Monday, September 7 at approximately 9:19 p.m., a 2024 GMC Sierra was traveling north in the right lane on I-29 near mile marker 175. The Sierra was traveling behind a 2018 Toyota Yaris. The driver of the Sierra rear-ended the Yaris causing the Yaris to enter the left lane. A 2017 Toyota Highlander traveling north in the left lane was struck by the Yaris. The driver and two passengers of the Yaris were injured and transported to Altru Hospital, Grand Forks. One of the passengers, a juvenile, was then transported to Sanford Medical Center-Fargo. The driver of the Sierra and the driver and 3 passengers of the Highlander were not injured. The northbound lane of I-29 was closed for approximately one and a half hours.

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

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