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UPDATE

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On 8/31/2021 the Barnes County Sheriff's Office received a report of a farm related accident near the 1600 blk of 101st Avenue SE Wimbledon ND.

Two individuals were attempting to pull a stuck tractor from a slough. The two individuals were using a chain and tow ropes. While they were in the process of pulling the stuck tractor from its location the chain broke. The operator of the tractor, Markus Mueller age 49, sustained life threating injuries while attempting to pull the stuck tractor. Markus was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The Barnes County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the Wimbledon First Responders, Wimbledon Fire Department, Barnes County Ambulance Service, Valley City Rescue Squad and Sanford Med Flight for responding to this accident.