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LaMoure County Fatal Crash- Hwy. 1 MM 41.25

What: Two vehicle fatal crash

Where: State Highway 1 milepost 41, eight miles north of Verona

When: May 25th, 2023 at 8:11AM CST

Road Conditions: Dry Pavement

Weather Conditions: Clear skies

Crash Involvement: Pickup vs. rock debris

Type of Crash: A vehicle was struck by a loose rock

Agencies Involved: LaMoure Ambulance, Oakes Ambulance, Verona FD, NDDOT, Lamoure County Sheriff's Office, ND Highway Patrol

Vehicle No. 1: 2019 Dodge Ram

Driver No. 1: 58yr old male of Valley City, ND- Fatal

Restraints: Seatbelt

Charges: None

Passenger No. 1: Gary Engstrom of Leeds, ND-Uninjured

Restraints: Seatbelt

Vehicle No. 2: 1999 Kenworth Truck-Belly dump trailer

Driver No. 2: Lyle Hanson of Valley, City ND

Restraints: Seatbelt

Charges: Pending Investigation

NARRATIVE:

At 8:11 am, a 1999 Kenworth semi-truck with a belly dump trailer was northbound on State Highway 1 in LaMoure County with a load of rock. A 2019 Dodge Ram, driven by a 58yr old male from Valley City, ND, was driving southbound approaching the Kenworth. As the two vehicles neared each other, the belly dump trailer released its load of rock onto the roadway.

A loose rock from this load struck the windshield of the Dodge, passing through the windshield striking the driver.

The driver of the Dodge was treated by Oakes and Lamoure Ambulance Services. The driver of the Dodge was transported to Oakes Hospital where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash.

The passenger in the Dodge, Gary Engstrom, was injured. The driver of the Kenworth, Lyle Hanson was also uninjured.

The load of rock was not intended to be dumped onto Hwy. 1. The crash remains under investigation by the Highway Patrol.

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