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## **Updated Barnes County Fatality Crash**

**What:** Fatality

**Where:** State Highway 1 & Barnes County Road 22, 1 mile east of Sanborn

**When:** November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 8:16 AM CST

**Road Conditions:** Good

**Weather Conditions:** Light fog/overcast

**Crash Involvement:** Semi/Passenger Car

**Type of Crash:** Angle

**Agencies Involved:** North Dakota Highway Patrol, Barnes County Sheriff's Department, Sanborn and Valley City Fire Departments, Barnes County Ambulance.

**Vehicle No. 1:** 1995, Peterbilt, Semi

**Driver No. 1:** **Dwight Albrecht**, Sanborn, ND, Serious Injury

**Restraints:** Seatbelt

**Charges:** Under Investigation

**Vehicle No. 2:** 2008, Dodge, Avenger

**Driver No. 2:** 15-Year-Old Female, Valley City, ND, Serious Injury

**Restraints:** Seatbelt, Airbag

**Charges:** Under Investigation

**Passenger No. 1:** **Sara Leick**, Valley City, ND, Fatality

**Restraints:** Seatbelt, airbag

### **NARRATIVE:**

The Peterbilt was southbound on State Highway 1 towing a trailer loaded with soybeans. The Dodge was westbound on Barnes County Road 22, crossing State Highway 1. The Peterbilt struck the Dodge in the passenger side with its front end. Both vehicles left the roadway to

the southwest. The Peterbilt came to final rest on its left side facing southwest, the Dodge came to final rest facing northwest. All occupants were initially transported to Mercy Hospital in Valley City by Barnes County Ambulance. **Leick** later succumbed to her injuries and died. The driver of the Dodge was transported to Sanford Hospital in Fargo by Barnes County Ambulance with life-threatening injury. The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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