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MEDIA RELEASE

UPDATE - Fatal Traffic Crash on Highway 81 in Avon Township

For Immediate Release

Date: November 25, 2019
Case: SO1959683

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On November 22, 2019 at 6:01 p.m. Rock County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a traffic crash on West Highway 81 by West Beloit Newark Road in the Town of Avon, Rock County, WI. The two vehicles, a red Mazda and gray Toyota, had severe front end damage. The driver of the gray Toyota, a 62 year old man from Juda, WI, was pinned in the vehicle and suffered life threatening injuries from the crash and was pronounced dead at the scene by Rock County Medical Examiner personnel. The driver of the red Mazda, a 20 year old man from Benton, WI, was partially pinned under the vehicle and suffered serious injuries and was transported to Mercy Hospital and Trauma Center in Janesville, WI.

Update:

After traffic crash reconstruction, aerial photographs, and witness interviews, it was found that the red Mazda was westbound on West Highway 81 and began to pass another vehicle that was also westbound. The red Mazda entered the eastbound lane and struck the gray Toyota head-on.

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