



MEDIA RELEASE

HAMLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Incident Code:	Single Vehicle Rollover Crash Near Thomas		
Date of Call:	10:44pm		
Time of Call:	May 5th, 2026		
Location:	SD Highway 22 near 449th Avenue		
Details:			
<p>HAYTI, SD - On May 5, 2026, at approximately 10:44 p.m., Watertown Regional Dispatch received an automated crash notification from a cellular device. Dispatchers made contact with the phone and determined a single-vehicle rollover crash had occurred on South Dakota Highway 22 near 449th Avenue, approximately one mile west of Thomas.</p> <p>Emergency responders from the Hayti Fire Department, Lake Norden Ambulance, and the Hamlin County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to the scene.</p> <p>Preliminary investigation indicates a Ford Fusion was traveling eastbound on SD Highway 22 before going into the south ditch and rolling several times. The driver sustained injuries in the crash and was transported by Lake Norden Ambulance to a local hospital.</p> <p>South Dakota Highway 22 was reduced to a single lane of travel for approximately one hour while emergency crews responded and cleared the scene.</p> <p>The crash remains under investigation by the Hamlin County Sheriff's Office.</p>			
Any defendant(s) listed are presumed innocent under the U.S. Constitution.			
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