



MEDIA RELEASE

HAMLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Incident Code:	Felony DUI Arrest at Lake Poinsett
Date of Call:	Sunday, February 22, 2026
Time of Call:	1:32pm
Location:	SD Highway 28 at Stone Bridge Lake Poinsett
Details:	
<p>LAKE POINSETT, SD - Sheriff deputies with the Hamlin County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a vehicle in the water along South Dakota Highway 28 near Stone Bridge on the north end of Lake Poinsett at approximately 1:30 p.m. Sunday afternoon.</p> <p>Upon arrival, a deputy observed a 2024 GMC Sierra with its front end submerged in the water. The deputy made contact with the driver and detected a strong odor of alcohol and was displayed signs of intoxication.</p> <p>A Preliminary Breath Test was administered, which indicated a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .238 - nearly three times the legal limit. Authorities determined the driver was on parole for a prior felony DUI conviction.</p> <p>The Sheriff's Office obtained a search warrant for a blood draw as part of the investigation.</p> <p>The driver, a 44-year-old man from Sisseton, was arrested on charges of Felony DUI and Parole Violation. He was transported and booked into the Brookings County Detention Center.</p> <p>BES Towing assisted at the scene with vehicle recovery.</p> <p>The incident 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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