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## News Release

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### **Rockford Man Arrested After Two Car Crash in Winnebago County**

On October 6, 2021, at approximately 4:51pm, Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the intersection of Mulford Road and Baxter Road after a report of a two-vehicle traffic crash. Upon arrival, Deputies observed a Dodge Charger and Chevrolet Malibu had collided and were both off the roadway in the ditch area. The male driver of the Malibu was transported to a Rockford hospital with life-threatening injuries. The driver and a passenger in the Charger fled on foot from the scene, but returned a short time later. The driver was identified as Eric G. Solis and his passenger was identified as Isaiah M. Fritz. During the preliminary investigation, it was determined that the Charger was attempting to pass a vehicle when it struck the Malibu near the intersection of Mulford and Baxter Roads. The Charger had also previously been reported stolen out of Chicago. The Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office reviewed the facts of the case and authorized the following charges:

**Eric G. Solis, 23 of Rockford**

- Unlawful Possession of a Stolen Vehicle
- Aggravated Reckless Driving
- Improper Passing
- Disregard a Stop Sign

**Isaiah M. Fritz, 23 of Rockford**

- Criminal Trespass to Vehicle

Solis is currently in custody at the Winnebago County Jail. Winnebago County Sheriff's Detectives are conducting a follow-up investigation.

The charges against Solis and Fritz are merely allegations and they are considered innocent until or unless proven guilty in a court of law.

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