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Winnebago County Sheriff's Department Conducts Traffic Accident Investigation

On December 15, 2020, at approximately 2:40pm, Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the area of North Meridian Road and Steward Road after a report of an accident involving two vehicles. Upon arrival, deputies discovered that the male driver of a pick-up truck was trapped inside his vehicle that was located in a field just off of Steward Road. With the assistance of the Rockton Fire Department, the 51 year old male driver was extricated and transported by helicopter to a Rockford hospital. The preliminary investigation revealed the driver of the pick-up was northbound on North Meridian Road when a hay bale on a southbound truck towing a trailer fell on to the pick-up truck. The driver of the pick-up then lost control and traveled north across Steward Road before coming to a rest in a field. The driver of the truck towing the trailer was not injured.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Department is conducting the follow up investigation. No further information will be released at this time.

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