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## News Release

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### **FATAL TRAFFIC CRASH – FREEPORT ROAD**

On Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at approximately 8:25p.m., Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies along with Rockton Fire Department responded to the 5300 block of Freeport Road for a reported head on traffic crash. Upon arrival, Deputies located a Ford F150 truck and a Ford Escape SUV that had collided.

During the preliminary investigation, deputies determined that the driver, and only occupant of the Ford F150 truck, a 45 year old male, from Rockton, was eastbound on Freeport Road, crossed the center line and collided with a westbound Ford Escape SUV head on, causing the Ford Escape SUV to catch fire. The driver of the Ford Escape SUV, a 75 year old male, from Durand, was pronounced deceased at the scene. The passenger of the Ford Escape SUV, a 43 year old female, from Durand, was transported to a local hospital and has been treated and released. The driver of the Ford F150 truck was transported to a local hospital.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office is conducting an investigation. No further details are available at this time.

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