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PRESS RELEASE

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On Sunday July 31, 2011 at 4:00pm., the St. Croix County Sheriff's Office responded to a one-vehicle crash on 140th Ave, ¼ mile east of USH 63 in the Town of Emerald.

A 1998 Dodge Stratus was westbound on 140th Ave. The vehicle entered the ditch, struck a culvert and went airborne hitting the top of a tree. The vehicle then came to rest among some trees and caught on fire. Three citizens who come across the crash attempted to extricate the person from the car and put the fire out with a fire extinguisher but due to the intense fire were unable to do so.

The single occupant was declared deceased at the scene by the St. Croix County Medical Examiner's Office. The name of the victim is being withheld pending positive identification and notification of family members.

Assisting at the scene was United Fire Dept. and Baldwin EMS.

This is the 6th traffic fatality of 2011.

The crash remains under investigation by the St. Croix County Sheriff's Office.