

Fatal wreck in Pawnee County

(KLZA)-- A fatal wreck involving a semi truck and trailer and a tractor resulted in Highway 50 south of DuBois being closed for a period of time Monday while volunteers cleared debris.

A press release from Pawnee County Attorney Jennifer Stehlik Ladman says the wreck occurred near the Nebraska – Kansas state line at approximately 11:15 A.M.

The Pawnee County Sheriff's Office investigation determined 86-year-old Arden Bredemeier of rural DuBois was driving a tractor northbound on Highway 50 when he attempted to turn into a private drive and was struck by an oncoming southbound semi truck and trailer.

Bredemeier was pronounced dead at the scene. The semi driver was not injured. No criminal charges are anticipated.

The DuBois Fire Department assisted with traffic control and road cleanup.

The Sheriff's Department and County Attorney's Office thanked all the volunteers that assisted following the wreck.

PRESS RELEASE

On June 8, 2020, a two vehicle fatality accident occurred on Highway 50, south of DuBois near the Kansas state line. The investigation conducted by the Pawnee County Sheriff's Office determined that at approximately 11:15 a.m. Arden Bredemeier, 86, was driving a tractor northbound on Highway 50 when he attempted to turn into a private drive and was struck by an oncoming southbound semi truck and trailer. Mr. Bredemeier was pronounced dead at the scene. The semi driver was not injured. No criminal charges are anticipated.

The accident resulted in the closure of Highway 50 while volunteers cleaned up debris. The Pawnee County Attorney and Pawnee County Sheriff would like to personally thank the DuBois Fire Department for their assistance with traffic control and road clean up as well as Ronnie Roland, Gary Farwell, Robert Haverkamp, Ronnie Frank, David Forbes, Hunter Catlett, Terry Catlett, Gerald Windsor and the other volunteers for their assistance with cleanup. Thanks also to Chet Koester for delivering water to the volunteers, and to Jason Vetrovsky and both the Pawnee City and Bern CJ Foods locations for delivering quick-dry material to clean the roadway.

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