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Wadena County Sheriff Michael D. Carr advises his office is investigating a motor vehicle crash resulting in one fatality from early Sunday morning. The Wadena County Sheriff's Office received the initial call of the crash at approximately 1:33 AM. The initial location of the crash was unknown but deputies were able to locate the scene a short time later in Section 26 of Lyons Township. Upon arrival, deputies found two victims from the 2001 Chevrolet Silverado they were driving. One of the occupants, 25 year old male Michael James Dewald of rural Motley, was pronounced deceased on scene. Another occupant, a 36 year old male Karl Raphael Kliber from Villard, was transported by ambulance to Lakewood Health Systems in Staples with non-life threatening injuries. Alcohol and speed is believed to be a factor in the crash. The investigation will continue and more information will be released when it is available. The Wadena County Sheriff's Office was assisted on scene by: The Minnesota State Patrol, Sebeka Police Department, Sebeka Fire & Rescue, Staples Ambulance, K & K Towing, Madsen's Precision Towing, and Wevley Funeral Home.