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Two Accidents at Hwy 18 & Hwy 385 Intersections

On March 18th two accidents occurred at the intersection of Hwy 18 & Hwy 385.

The first accident which was called into Fall River County Dispatch at 12:18PM involved a 2020 Honda Pilot and a 2017 Dodge Ram.

The Honda, driven by a 38 YO male from Rapid City, had been traveling east on Hwy 18 and came to a stop at the intersection. It then attempted to cross Hwy 385 to enter the Dairy Queen parking lot. The Honda struck the Dodge pickup, driven by a 77 YO Hot Springs resident, that was traveling North on Hwy 385. The truck came to a rest in the ditch just up from the accident location and the Honda was disabled in the road.

The Second accident which was called in at 6:38PM, involved a 2011 Chevy Silverado and a 2002 Honda Accord.

The Chevy pickup, driven by a 62 YO male Hot Springs resident, was traveling east on Hwy 18 and came to a stop at the intersection. The Honda, driven by a 17 YO female had also stopped as it was exiting Dairy Queen. As the Chevy turned to go North toward Sonny's, the Honda attempted to cross the intersection and both vehicles collided.

Hot Springs Fire, EMS and Police Department responded to both accidents. Among the 4 vehicles, only the driver of the 2017 Dodge Ram pickup was transported to the hospital with injuries. The driver of the Chevy Silverado had a small laceration on his arm, while none of the other occupants involved had apparent injuries.

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