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## **NEWS RELEASE**

For Immediate Release – Friday, January 27, 2023

**Update:** The identity of the subject that passed is 57-year-old Michael J. Green of Oak Lawn, Illinois.

On Thursday, January 26, 2023, The Oneida County Sheriff's Office responded to a call of a snowmobile accident near the intersection of Hwy 47 and Bridge Road in the town of Newbold. Upon arrival Deputies were able to determine that a group of snowmobiles were crossing Hwy 47 from east to west. The last snowmobile in the group was struck by a southbound vehicle.

As a result of the collision the 57 year old male operator of the snowmobile was pronounced deceased at the scene. The vehicle operator was treated for minor injuries at the scene by the Rhinelander Fire Department and released from the scene. The names of the subjects will not be released until proper notifications are given to family.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is completing the accident report. The Oneida County Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Newbold Fire Department, The Wisconsin State Patrol, Rhinelander Fire Department, DNR, Oneida County Hwy Department, and the Oneida County Medical Examiner's Department.

This portion of Hwy 47 is closed to traffic as a result of the DNR requesting a reconstruction of the accident by the Wisconsin State Patrol. Southbound traffic is routed to Bridge Road to River Road to County W to Rhinelander. Northbound traffic is being turned around at Evergreen Court and directed to follow the same route north. This may be the traffic route for several hours.

Any questions from the press can be directed to Captain Tyler Young (715)361-5100.

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