

**Caldwell County Accident Near Breckenridge Injures One**  
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A semi tractor trailer rig and a pickup truck towing a boat and trailer were involved in an accident on U.S. 36, one mile south of Breckenridge.



The accident occurred at approximately one O'clock Wednesday afternoon. Both vehicles were westbound on US 36 highway, when a 2006 Dodge pickup, driven by 55 year old Jerry Watson of Braymer changed lanes, pulling into the path of the tractor trailer.

The tractor trailer rig, driven by 61 year old Larry Hatfield, of Braymer then struck the rear of the boat and trailer.

After impact, the trailer remained attached to the pickup, however, the boat came off of the trailer.

The Dodge pickup truck, driven by Watson left the north side of the roadway, crossing back onto the highway, coming to rest in the median.

The tractor trailer rig, driven by Hatfield, left the north side of the road, came to rest, then caught fire, becoming totally engulfed in flames.

The driver of the tractor trailer rig, 61 year old Larry Hatfield was transported to Cameron Regional Medical Center by the Caldwell County Ambulance service with what the Highway Patrol listed as moderate injuries.

The driver of the pickup truck, 55 year old Jerry Watson was not listed as hurt.

There was moderate damage to the pickup truck, the tractor trailer rig was totaled.

Both drivers were wearing seat belts.

The accident was investigated by the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and the Caldwell County Sheriff's Department, with assistance from Hamilton Fire And Rescue, Breckenridge Fire And Rescue and Braymer Fire And Rescue.