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Major Accident Closes Highway 80, One Careflighted with Critical Injuries

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At approximately 3:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon, a major accident occurred on Highway 80 that shut down the eastbound lanes for over an hour and sent one man with critical injuries to an area hospital by careflight.

On Thursday morning Forney police say that an SUV Trailblazer was traveling westbound and came across the median, through the cable wiring, directly into eastbound traffic near Premier Sports.

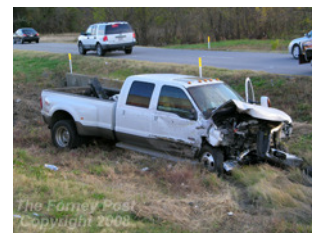
The SUV hit a white truck head on, and the male driver of the Trailblazer was ejected. The man was careflighted by helicopter, and police on the scene said he is in critical condition. Police say the ejection may have saved his life. If he had not been ejected, the steering wheel may have crushed his body.

The condition of the occupants in the other vehicles is still not known at this time.

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Traffic is diverted off of Highway 80 at Pinson Rd., in front of Dairy Queen at 4:15 p.m.



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