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**(Wyo.)-Tanker Accident Closes I-25 North Of Wheatland**

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WHEATLAND, Wyo. (AP) - A tanker truck accident and crude oil spill has closed Interstate 25 north of Wheatland.

Wyoming Highway Patrol spokesman Stephen Townsend says the accident happened shortly after 3 a.m. Tuesday. Townsend says the tanker truck carrying 8,400 gallons of crude oil spilled most of its contents on the highway when it crashed, ending up on its side.

The main north-south route through the state remained closed in both directions for at least five hours as crews cleaned up the oil.

The cause of the accident and spill remains under investigation.