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Symptom/Vehicle Issue: Noise From Front Axle Area Over Bumps

Discussion: Grinding or whirring noise could be intermittent or constant. Typically 30mph or higher and when hitting a bump or irregularity in road. To isolate the noise shift from 2wd high to 4wd high range while the noise is occurring. If noise is eliminated by performing this shift, inspect the radial play of the front axle shafts by removing the Front Axle Disconnect (FAD). If the output shaft moves easily inside the bushing of the intermediate shaft, the bushing has excessive wear. Next, inspect the ends of both intermediate and output shafts to confirm there is no damage (scoring grooving ect).

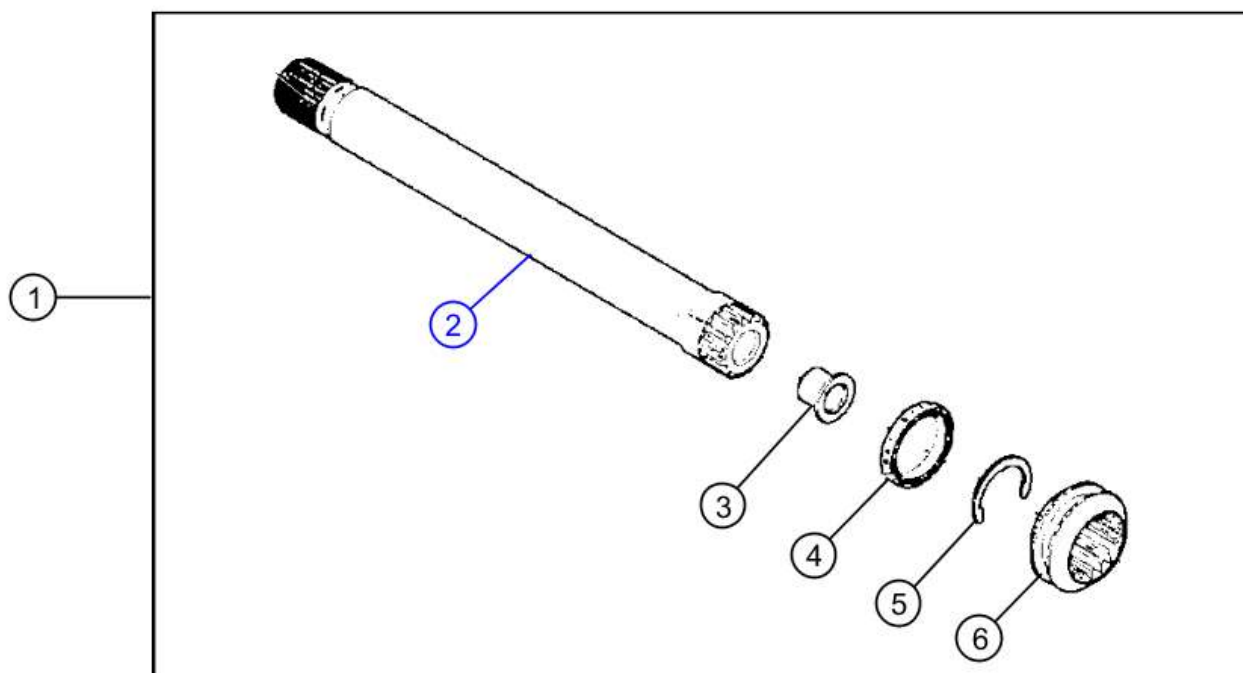
Damage or play found in axle disconnect assembly>>> Replace Intermediate Shaft Kit (#1 below) **AND** the output shaft.

See Service Information for service procedures.

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Replace as entire kit (#1) - Intermediate Shaft Kit. Replace axle outer shaft also

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