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Media Release

Fatal Accident US 50 Lyon County

On January 28, 2011 at approximately 10:51 hours, Nevada Highway Patrol was dispatched to a vehicle accident approximately seven miles east of Dayton.

Preliminary investigation shows that a white Mercury Sable driven by Jessica Lynn Sanchez was traveling westbound on US 50 in the eastbound travel lane. A green Ford Tempo with two occupants were traveling eastbound on US 50 and was struck in the right front with the right front of the white Mercury. The 52-year-old female passenger of the green ford was pronounced deceased at the scene. Both drivers sustained substantial injuries and were both transported to Renown Regional Medical Center in Reno via Care Flight helicopter. Alcohol is suspected as a contributing factor to the accident.

Once we are confident that family members have been notified of the event, we will release the names.

Nevada Highway Patrol's Major Accident Investigation Team (M.A.I.T.) is investigating the accident. Witnesses to the event or anyone with additional information are encouraged to call the Department of Public Safety-Communications Center at (775) 687-0400.