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Fatal Crash Takes the Life of a Mesquite Woman in Clark County

On Friday May 8, 2011 at approximately 2228 hours (10:28 pm), a three vehicle crash on Interstate 15 (I-15) just north of Mile Marker 54 in Clark County claimed the life of Mesquite woman on Sunday evening.

Preliminary investigation indicates that a 32 year old Las Vegas man was driving a gold 2001 GMC Sierra pick up truck southbound (wrong way) on the northbound I-15. A black 2006 Chrysler and black 2010 Freightliner were traveling northbound on I-15 approaching the GMC. The right front of the GMC struck the right front of the Chrysler. The Freightliner attempted to avoid the collision by partially entering the east paved shoulder of the I-15. The front of the Freightliner struck the left rear of the GMC.

Elvira Cortez, 29 years old sustained fatal injuries as a result of the crash and was pronounced dead on scene by Clark County Coroner Investigator.

****Please remember that seatbelts saves lives! Buckle up!!**

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