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Media Release

No Children Injured in Yesterday's Accident Involving a School Bus

On Wednesday afternoon, January 19th, at approximately 1:54 pm, troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a motor vehicle accident involving a Washoe County School District bus on State Route 431 (Mt Rose Highway) near the intersection of Thomas Creek Rd.

The information investigated so far indicates a white 1998 Subaru Outback, driven by 28-year-old Cameron Duff of Reno, was traveling east on the four-lane highway when he allowed his car to cross over into the opposing lanes of travel.

The left front of his vehicle struck the left side of the westbound school bus and subsequently broke the rear axle of the bus. There were 4 children riding on the bus and they and the bus driver all escaped injury. The collision caused substantial damage to the Subaru while Duff escaped serious injury.

He was transported to Renown Regional Medical Center in Reno where he was treated and later released. Although alcohol is not considered to be a contributing factor in this crash, fatigue is being considered a possible explanation as to why Duff allowed his car to drift into oncoming traffic.

The accident had both westbound lanes closed for approximately 2 hours while troopers from the Major Accident Investigation Team investigated the roadway marks and diagrammed the entire collision scene. Those lanes were re-opened shortly before 4:00 pm.

Witnesses to the event may call Trooper Matt Kaplan at (775) 688-2500 ext 4 during normal business hours or the Department of Public Safety-Communications Center at (775) 687-0400 anytime regarding case number NHP-1101191228.

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