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Pedestrian Dies after being Struck by Pickup in Fernley Last Evening

Last evening at approximately 8:56 pm, troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched on an accident involving a pedestrian who was struck by a pickup truck. The incident occurred on Farm District Road just south of Cottonwood Lane in the Fernley area.

23-year-old Christopher H. Capps was driving his 1993 Dodge Dakota pickup westbound on Farm District Road when he unexpectedly saw a pedestrian walking in the same travel lane. Capps was unable to avoid the pedestrian who was later identified as 30-year-old Joshua M. Pascus of Fernley. Although Capps applied the brakes to his pickup, the left front portion of the pickup ultimately struck Mr. Pascus.

Mr. Pascus was transported to Renown Regional Medical Center in Reno by ground ambulance and died later that evening at the hospital. Mr. Capps had been wearing a seat belt and was not injured. Troopers are still trying to learn if Pascus was attempting to cross the street or if he was walking in the travel lane. Farm District Road is a two-lane roadway with a posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour. Alcohol and speed are not believed to be contributing factors in this unplanned tragedy.

Farm District Road was closed in both directions near the crash scene until just after 11:00 pm while troopers completed their on-scene portion of the investigation. The accident is being investigated by the Major Accident Investigation Team (M.A.I.T.). Witnesses to the accident or anyone wishing to provide additional information, are encouraged to contact Trooper Eric Gallagher at (775) 689-4661 regarding case # 1104041530.

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