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## **Media Release**

### **Update on Fatal Accident on US 395 in Gardnerville**

The next of kin has been notified regarding this accident. The driver of the white Ford truck was Howard Coles Hand a 73-year-old Gilroy California Resident.

On Wednesday morning June 8, 2011 at approximately 1130 hours, Nevada Highway Patrol was dispatched to a vehicle accident approximately three miles south of Gardnerville.

The preliminary crash investigation details indicate a 2004 white Ford F-150 pulling a camp trailer with a 73-year-old male occupant a California resident was traveling south on US 395. For unknown reasons the Ford drifted into the northbound travel lane striking a commercial vehicle driven by Aubrey Monroe a resident from Wisconsin. The driver of the Ford F-150 was pronounced deceased on scene. Once the next-of-kin have been notified, we will release the name of the deceased driver. The driver of the commercial vehicle sustained minor injuries and was treated and released from the Carson Tahoe hospital.

The roadway was closed for approximately five hours in both directions while traffic was diverted to an adjacent road next to the highway while the accident was investigated and the roadway cleaned up.

Witnesses to the event or anyone with additional information are encouraged to call the Department of Public Safety-Communications Center at (775) 687-0400 regarding case # NHP 1106080925.

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