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Update on Fatal Rollover Accident Interstate 80 East of Lovelock

On Friday July 22, 2011, at approximately 4:48 am, troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a single vehicle commercial vehicle Fatal Accident approximately 23 miles east of Lovelock.

The preliminary crash investigation details indicate that a commercial vehicle was traveling westbound on Interstate I-80. The commercial vehicle for unknown reasons struck the guardrail at the Rye Patch interchange and overturned. There is one person confirmed deceased at this time. The vehicle is in an unsafe position but emergency crews are trying to stabilize the vehicle to check to see if there are any other occupants. Interstate 80 is closed at this time however traffic is being diverted using an alternate route.

UPDATE: As you can see from the picture the westbound lanes are blocked. There are traffic delays possible, but the westbound vehicles are being diverted through the off ramp.

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 1107220110.



