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Single Vehicle Rollover Kills Sixteen Year Old Male in Vegas

On Monday May 14th, 2012 at approximately 6:05 am, troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to an accident on southbound Interstate 15 at mile marker 102.

The preliminary crash investigation details reveal a black 2007 Ford Focus was traveling on the eastbound Interstate 215 to southbound Interstate 15 transition ramp in the number one travel lane at a high rate of speed. The driver, a twenty-four (24) year old male from Las Vegas, allowed the vehicle to enter the north paved shoulder and then north gravel shoulder. The vehicle traveled up an embankment and rotated counter-clockwise where it furrowed-in and began to overturn as it traveled southeast in the gravel embankment/shoulder. The vehicle's right-side struck the back-side of the guardrail and concrete barrier wall and the right-rear passenger, an eighteen (18) year old female from Las Vegas, was ejected.

The vehicle struck a concrete abutment and the right front passenger, a sixteen (16) year old male from Las Vegas, was ejected. The vehicle came to rest facing west with its right-rear tire on the concrete barrier wall and front end in the number one travel lane of the transition ramp.

The sixteen (16) year old male was pronounced dead at the scene. The driver and female passenger were transported by ground to University Medical Center in critical condition where they remain.

None of the occupants were wearing a seat belt and alcohol is suspected to have played a factor in this incident.

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