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Media Release

18 Year Old Pedestrian Killed on Interstate 80 Near Lovelock

On Tuesday, November 26, 2013, at approximately 12:45am, Troopers responded to a fatal accident on I-80 E/B approximately 4 miles west of Lovelock, Nevada.

Preliminary investigation reveals that Michalea Vines, age 18, from Antelope, CA was walking on the E/B paved shoulder on I-80 near Lovelock, Nevada. Ms. Vines walked toward the fog line and partially into the travel lane and attempted to signal an approaching pickup for assistance. The Ford F150 pickup, driven by Jose Contreras, age 48, from Winnemucca, NV struck Ms. Vines. Mr. Contreras pulled over to the right shoulder and rendered first aid to Ms. Vines.

Ms. Vines died at the scene.

Preliminary investigation indicates Ms. Vines may have been drinking. Alcohol may be a contributing factor in this accident.

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