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## **Media Release**

### **Bicyclist Seriously Injured After Collision with Pickup Truck in Fernley**

On Monday, August 12, 2013 at approximately 12:30 pm, Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to an accident that involved a bicycle and a pickup truck. The accident occurred on Main St (US 50 Alternate) in Fernley, NV.

The accident occurred in front of the Villa mobile home park just west of the round-a-bout in Fernley. Preliminary investigation details indicate 57-year-old David Bertroch from Fernley was riding his bicycle without a safety helmet westbound in the #1 travel lane on Main St. in front of a Chevy pickup that was driven by 52-year-old Carson Shockley also of Fernley.

For reasons undetermined at this time the cyclist and the pickup truck collided and both vehicles came to rest blocking the #1 travel lane. Mr. Bertroch was transported by North Lyon County ambulance service to Renown Medical Center for serious head injuries. Mr. Shockley the driver of the pickup was not injured during the collision.

Due to the circumstances surrounding the accident, no one has been placed at fault and no citation has been issued at this time. The accident is still under investigation.

Trooper Dave Gibson of the Nevada Highway Patrol (Fernley) is investigating this accident. Witnesses or anyone with additional information are encouraged to contact him at the Fernley office at (775) 575-5518 or [dgibson@dps.state.nv.us](mailto:dgibson@dps.state.nv.us) regarding case number NHP- 130801044

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