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Media Release

Driver Transported to Hospital Following Rollover Crash at the Spaghetti Bowl

On Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at approximately 8:40 am, troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a single-vehicle crash that happened on the transition ramp from northbound I-580 to eastbound Interstate 80 in Reno.

The preliminary crash investigation details indicate a green 1999 Toyota 4-Runner SUV, driven by 79-year-old Gloria M. Melms of Reno, drifted off the left roadway edge of the freeway ramp where it struck a small road marker post. Ms. Melms over-corrected her vehicle's steering to the right causing the SUV to travel back across the ramp lane and depart the right roadway edge when it rolled over. Her vehicle came to rest on its roof or top and no other vehicles were involved.

REMSA and Reno Fire Department personnel arrived on scene very quickly and had to extricate the lone driver from her vehicle. Ms. Melms was transported to Renown Regional Medical Center for minor injuries and she was issued a citation for not using due care while operating a motor vehicle.

The crash caused the temporary closure of the affected ramp for about 25 minutes while public safety personnel rendered aid and assisted Ms. Helms from her vehicle safely.



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