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Media Advisory

Fatal Hit and Run Accident Involving Pedestrian in Carson City on US 50

On Sunday, March 17, 2013 at approximately 11:00 p.m. Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to US50 eastbound at Airport Road for a hit in run accident involving a pedestrian. The preliminary investigation indicates that a Black 1999 Ford Explorer was traveling eastbound on US50 in the #1 travel lane. For an unknown reason a 27-year-old female pedestrian entered US50 just east of Airport Road, she was traveling southbound to northbound and was not in a designated crosswalk. The right front of the Explorer struck the female pedestrian. For an unknown reason the female driver of the Explorer left the scene of the accident without rendering aid. The female pedestrian sustained fatal injuries at the scene.

The Explorer was located at Pinecone and Amber Streets in Dayton. The Explorer was occupied by four; Ms. Monroe, a 15-year-old juvenile male, 14-year-old juvenile female, and a 10-year-old juvenile male. Ms. Monroe was taken to the Lyon County Sheriffs Office for a voluntary blood draw. Ms. Monroe was booked into the Carson City Sheriffs Office for Felony Hit & Run w/death and Driving while suspended.

The eastbound lanes were closed for approximately 3 hours. The name of the victim won't be released until the Washoe County Medical Examiner's Office positively confirms the identity and pending notification of next of kin.

Trooper Doug Hildebrand of the Major Accident Investigation Team (M.A.I.T.) is the primary investigator for this tragic event. Witnesses or anyone with additional information are encouraged to contact him at (775) 689-4623

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