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### Media Release

## **Idaho Motorist Killed in Single-Vehicle Crash on US Highway 6 in Esmeralda County Near Tonopah**

On the eve of Thanksgiving at approximately 6:30 pm, Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a single-vehicle rollover crash on US Highway 6 in Esmeralda County, approximately 13 miles west of Tonopah.

The preliminary crash investigation details indicates the driver of a green 1993 Subaru Outback, 54-year-old Becky W. Olsen of Harpster, Idaho was traveling west on US Highway 6 when she allowed her vehicle to drift off the right roadway edge. She over-corrected the vehicle's steering to the left which caused the vehicle to rotate counter-clockwise before it overturned. Olsen was not wearing a seat belt and was thrown from the vehicle and sustained fatal injuries. She was pronounced deceased at the accident scene. Her passenger and husband, 51-year-old Barry C. Olsen, was wearing a seat belt and sustained minor to moderate injuries and was transported to Nye Regional Medical Center in Tonopah. He was discharged from the medical facility this morning. No other vehicles were involved in this tragic accident.

As a safety reminder to all motorists, please be certain that each occupant riding in a motor vehicle is always properly restrained by wearing a seat belt. First responders, crash investigators, and those in the medical profession often see the life changing injuries and tragedies of motorists involved in collisions who were not properly restrained. Please be sure to buckle up every trip, day or night, regardless of the distance of each commute.



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