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## Media Release

## Stop Sticks Deployed near Verdi Involving Fleeing Vehicle from California

On Sunday, December 15, 2013 at approximately 3:52 pm, Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol (NHP) were dispatched to assist the California Highway Patrol (CHP) with a fleeing vehicle traveling eastbound on Interstate 80 that was approaching Nevada. The gray 2010 Dodge Ram 1500 pickup had been clocked at a high rate of speed on the freeway near Truckee and the driver failed to yield to the CHP officer.

When the pickup entered Nevada, NHP Troopers successfully deployed the stop sticks just east of the state line in an effort to deflate the tires. At least one tire was flattened and the vehicle eventually stopped near the center median of the freeway in close proximity to mile marker 3 near Verdi.

The driver and sole occupant of the pickup was identified as 23-year-old Wendy N. Parish of Grass Valley, California. Parish displayed signs of being under the influence of drugs and did not possess a valid driver's license. She was placed under arrest by our agency and taken to the Washoe County Detention Facility and booked. Her arrest charges included DUI drugs, no valid driver's license, and attempting to elude a police officer. Her total bail is listed at \$25,350 dollars and she is still in custody at the jail this afternoon. Several traffic-related charges are expected to be filed in California for Parish as well.



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