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Two-Vehicle Alcohol-Related Injury Crash on Interstate 80 in Reno

On Friday, March 29, 2013 at approximately 8:00 am, troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a crash on Interstate 80 in Reno at the interchange to IR-580. The crash involved two vehicles with a total of four involved motorists.

The preliminary investigation details indicate the driver of a black 1996 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 pickup was following a white 2002 Ford Explorer SUV eastbound on the freeway and both vehicles were on the transition ramp to southbound IR-580. The pickup was driven by 28-year-old Camryn R. Mullen of Reno. Ms. Mullen failed to decrease the speed of her pickup and allowed it to strike the rear of the SUV. The force of the impact caused the SUV to initially roll over onto its roof where it slid on the top portion of a section of guardrail before rolling back onto its tires. The pickup continued to travel east and came to rest on its wheels approximately 300 feet ahead of the disabled Explorer.

The lone driver of the SUV sustained minor injuries and so did the two passengers riding in the rear seat of the extended cab pickup. All three were transported to Renown Regional Medical Center by ground ambulance and REMSA personnel. Ms Mullen did not sustain any injuries, but showed obvious signs of intoxication at the crash scene. She performed and failed a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest for driving under the influence of alcohol. She was booked into the Washoe County Detention Facility a short time later.

Due to the extensive damage to both vehicles, each had to be towed away. Traffic was reduced to one lane on the two-lane ramp and the entire scene was cleared a few minutes after 9:00 am.



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