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Media Advisory

Update: Head On Collision Kills Four in Nye

On Sunday, May 5, 2013, at approximately 10:39 p.m. Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to US 95 south of Mile Marker 28 in Nye.

Preliminary investigation reveals that a maroon Buick sedan (possibly a Park Avenue) was traveling northbound in the southbound lane of US95 for unknown reasons. An unknown color Toyota van was traveling southbound in the southbound lane. The vehicles struck head on and both rotated counter clockwise. Both vehicles became engulfed in flames. The driver and sole occupant of the Buick was pronounced dead at the scene. The driver, front passenger and rear passenger of the Toyota were pronounced dead at the scene.

Due to extensive fire damage, identification of the deceased and further vehicle information will be forthcoming.

Update to collision that occurred on May 5, 2013:

The three occupants of the Toyota van have been identified.
Female driver, 33 year old Joy Ann Fairbairn-Howell (mother of the two male passengers)
Male passenger, 9 year old Justin Howell
Male passenger, 13 year old Jesse Howell

The male driver of the Buick Sedan has not been identified.

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