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### Media Release

#### **Passenger Critically Injured in Single-Vehicle Accident Near Spooner Summit**

On March 11, 2014, at approximately 6:27 am, Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to single-vehicle accident on State Route 28 south of mile marker 10, north of the intersection with US 50 near Spooner Summit.

Preliminary reports indicate a maroon 2009, Nissan Murano SUV, driven by Wesley N. Waterman, age 25 was traveling southbound on SR-28 from mile marker 10 Washoe. Waterman may have fallen asleep at the wheel and traveled off the right side of the paved roadway surface. The front of the vehicle struck a roadway sign, continued in a southerly direction then struck a tree. The vehicle came to rest on the right shoulder, facing south. Waterman and passenger Karly Findorff suffered minor injuries. Passenger Morgan Russell sustained life-threatening injuries and was transported to Renown Regional Medical Center for emergency treatment.

Trooper R. Rikalo of the Nevada Highway Patrol is investigating this accident. Witnesses can reach out to him at NHP Carson City Sub Station (775) 684-7381, Department of Public Safety Communications Center (775) 687-0400 or [rrikalo@dps.state.nv.us](mailto:rrikalo@dps.state.nv.us) regarding case number NHP-140300814. Once the crash investigation is complete, all applicable charges will be recommended to the Carson City's District Attorney's office for review.

Photos of the crash scene were unavailable at the time this release was completed.

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