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## Media Release

## Scooter Rider Succumbs to Injuries After Collision with SUV in Sun Valley

On Friday evening July 4th, 2014 at approximately 9:30 pm, Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a vehicle versus moped accident that occurred on SR 443 (Sun Valley Blvd) in front of the Dollar General store.

The crash investigation details indicate a 2004 Blue Ford SUV driven by 26 year old Sparks resident Gabriella Falcon was traveling southbound on SR 443 when a black moped ridden by 58 year old Jose Desantiago a resident of Sun Valley, NV attempted to cross SR 443 eastbound in front the SUV when it was struck. After the collision Mr. Desantiago was knocked off the moped and came to rest in the fast lane of southbound SR 443.

Efforts were made at the scene to revive Mr. Desantiago but he did succumb to his injuries. The driver of the SUV did stop at the scene and was cooperative with law enforcement. Alcohol or drugs is not a factor at this time. The accident is still under investigation. That area of highway is two lanes in each direction with a center turn lane. It has spot roadway lighting and the speed limit is 35 mph.

Sergeant Scott Farmer of the Nevada Highway Patrol Major Accident Investigation Team is investigating this accident. Witnesses or anyone with additional information are encouraged to contact him @ (775) 689-4614 or <a href="mailto:sfarmer@dps.state.nv.us">sfarmer@dps.state.nv.us</a> regarding case number NHP- 140700396



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