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**Media Release**

**3 Motorcycles Collide on Geiger Grade Leaving 2 Dead and 3 Injured**

On Saturday, June 7, 2014 just after 9:00 a.m., Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol arrived on scene of a 3 motorcycle accident that occurred on SR341 (Geiger Grade) at Washoe mile marker 4 approximately 2 ½ miles south of the US395 and SR341 junction in South Reno.

The crash investigation details learned so far indicate a 2001 orange Harley Davidson motorcycle driven by 68 year old James L. Wood of Silver Springs along with passenger 64 year old Linda J Esterling-Wood also of Silver Springs was riding in tandem with a 2004 Black Harley Davidson motorcycle driven by 60 year old Robert E. Sanders of Reno along with passenger 47 year old Lisa M. Cissna also of Reno was traveling southbound when Woods' motorcycle collided with a 2001 Black Honda motorcycle driven by 43 year old Jacob W. Jensen of Sparks ejecting all 3 riders from the bikes.

After the initial collision between Jensen and Woods; Sanders' motorcycle traveled over Jensens' motorcycle which was on the ground causing both Sanders and Cissna to be ejected off their motorcycle. Due to injuries suffered from the accident Mr. Wood and Mr. Sanders both died at the scene. Mr. Jensen was taken by Care Flight to Renown Medical Center with severe injuries. Mrs. Wood was transported by REMSA to Renown also with severe injuries. Ms. Cissna was also transported by REMSA to Renown but was release later that afternoon.

All lanes of SR341 (Geiger Grade) was blocked at Rim Rock Dr. and Cartwright Rd. for several hours while NHP investigated the accident.

Although the accident is still under investigation alcohol does not seem to be a factor.

Trooper Doug Hildebrand of the Nevada Highway Patrol's Major Accident Investigation Team is investigating this tragic event. Witnesses or anyone with more information are encouraged to reach out to him at (775) 689-4623 or [dhildebrand@dps.state.nv.us](mailto:dhildebrand@dps.state.nv.us) regarding case number NHP-140600563.

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