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### Media Release

#### **One Person Dies After Two Vehicle Crash on Mt. Rose Highway**

On Thursday, January 1, 2015 at approximately 6:18 pm, Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a two vehicle collision that occurred on State Route 431 in Washoe Co. last evening.

The crash investigation details indicate a 1998 silver Isuzu Rodeo with two occupants was traveling westbound on SR 431 (Mt. Rose) when for unknown reasons at this time the unidentified driver allowed the Isuzu SUV to cross over the center line where it struck a blue 2003 Jeep Liberty traveling eastbound on SR 431. The Jeep was driven by an unidentified female and two passengers. Two occupants of the Jeep were transported via helicopter to Renown Regional Medical Center with major injuries and one occupant by ambulance with serious injuries.

The passenger of the Isuzu was transported by helicopter to Renown with critical injuries. He later succumbed to his injuries at the hospital. After the crash the unidentified driver of the Isuzu fled the accident scene on foot. He was last seen running from the scene bleeding from lacerations around his face. His whereabouts are still unknown at this time.

Mt Rose Highway was delayed in both directions for several hours while the NHP investigated the crash scene. Alcohol may be factor in the cause of the accident. The name of the deceased is being withheld until the next of kin can be notified.

Trooper Karen Garretson of the Nevada Highway Patrol's Multi-Disciplinary Investigation and Reconstruction Team (MIRT) is investigating this incident. Anyone who may have witnessed this incident or who may have information related to this incident is encouraged to reach out to her at (775) 689-4625 or [kgarretson@dps.state.nv.us](mailto:kgarretson@dps.state.nv.us) regarding case number NHP-150100100.



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