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Media Release

Serious Injury Vehicle Accident US 50 East of Carson City resulting in DUI Arrest

On Friday, September 11, 2015 at approximately 11:51 p.m., Trooper's from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a head on vehicle accident on US 50 approximately six miles east of Carson City.

The preliminary crash investigation details indicate that a blue Pontiac Grand Am driven by Dennis M. Tardif a 58-year-old Lyon County resident was westbound on US 50 in the eastbound travel lane. A white Honda Civic was traveling eastbound on US 50 driven by Crystal Michelle Pacheco a 38-year-old Carson City resident. Mr. Tardif traveling the wrong direction in the eastbound travel lane struck the White Honda Civic head-on. Ms. Pacheco sustained serious injuries and was transported by Care-flight to the Renown Regional Medical Center where she is still being treated for serious injuries.

Mr. Tardif was also transported to the Renown Regional Medical Center by Care-flight with non life threatening injuries. Mr. Tardif was later released and was arrested for driving under the influence and booked in to the Carson City Jail.

Trooper LaChew is investigating this accident. Witnesses or anyone with information are encouraged to contact him at (775) 687-0400 regarding case number NHP-150900969.

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