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Media Release

Two Dead One, Hospitalized After Single Vehicle Accident in Near Silver Springs

On Saturday, May 2, 2015 at approximately 4:30 p.m., Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a single vehicle accident that occurred on US 50 approximately 5 miles west of the four way stop (“four corners”) in Silver Springs.

The preliminary crash investigation details indicate a 1995 blue Ford Ranger pickup driven by 19 year old Hardin Lee Aigner of Silver Springs along with right front passenger 20 year old Lee Owen Polson of Fernley and right rear passenger 19 year old Anthony Fredrick-Wayne Smith of Silver Springs were traveling westbound on US 50 towards Stagecoach when the pickup’s left rear tire lost its tread causing Mr. Aigner to lose control. The pickup drove off the North shoulder and overturned ejecting all three occupants from the vehicle. None of the occupants were wearing their seatbelts at the time of the accident.

Mr. Smith was pronounced deceased at the scene of the accident. Mr. Aigner and Mr. Polson were transported to Renown Hospital by Care Flight. The driver Mr. Aigner succumbed to his injuries at the hospital. Mr. Polson is still in the hospital recovering from his serious injuries received during the accident.

This area of US 50 is one lane in each direction with a no passing zone and the speed limit is 65 mph.

Trooper Tappan Cornmesser of the Nevada Highway Patrol’s Carson City District 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 him at (775) 684-7381 or tcornmesser@dps.state.nv.us regarding case number NHP-150500169



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