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Update: Single Vehicle Fatal Crash on Kingsbury Grade near Katherine Drive on 7/20/15

On July 20, 2015 at approximately 2:44 pm, Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a single vehicle collision that occurred on SR 207/Kingsbury Grade near Katherine Drive in Stateline, Nevada.

The preliminary collision investigation details indicate that a white 2008 Ford Ranger pickup driven by 93 year old John Jacob Filas from Zephyr Cove, was traveling westbound on SR207. For unknown reasons, Mr. Filas allowed the pickup to drift off the right side roadway edge through a dirt right of way area and struck a tree with the pickup's front.

Mr. Filas was transported to Renown Regional Medical Center where he later succumbed to his injuries.

Mr. Filas was wearing his seatbelt at the time of the collision and impairment does not appear to be a contributing factor.

SR207 remained open in both directions while the crash scene was being investigated. This area of SR207 is two lanes, one in each direction with a no passing double yellow line separating the travel lanes. The speed limit is 35 mph.

Trooper H. Shook of the Nevada Highway Patrol's Incline substation is investigating this incident. Anyone who may have witnessed this incident or who may have information related to this incident is encouraged to contact him at (775) 831-2416 or hshook@dps.state.nv.us regarding case number NHP-150701840.