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## **Media Release**

## **Bicyclist Killed by Off Road Vehicle East of Interstate 15**

On Sunday, February 21, 2016 at approximately 1:36 a.m. Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to an accident involving a bicyclist and off road vehicle on westbound on St. Rose Parkway, east of Interstate 15.

The preliminary crash investigation revealed that a black Polaris RZR and a bicycle were traveling westbound on St. Rose Pkwy, east of the IR15 northbound on ramp in the right travel lane. The bicycle was just ahead of the Polariz RZR. The driver of the RZR struck the rear of the bicycle. The Polaris rotated counterclockwise and struck the raised concrete island. The Polaris continued to travel off of the island and overturned.

The male bicyclist who was later identified as 58 year old Karl Vanderwyk from Las Vegas, succumbed to injuries sustained in the crash and was declared deceased on scene.

The male driver and sole occupant of the Polaris, who was later identified as 28 year old Mark Obermeyer from Las Vegas, was transported to University Medical Center Trauma with non life threatening injuries.

Mr. Obermeyer was later booked into Clark County Detention Center on the following charges: DUI above the legal limit resulting in death, fail to yield or exercise due care to a bicycle rider, driving with a suspended driver's license, and operating and unregistered vehicle.

This marks Nevada Highway Patrol-Southern Command's 8th fatal crash resulting in 9 lives lost for 2016.

You can contact Trooper C. Stuenkel at 702-469-3882 or Trooper J. Buratczuk at 702-533-6808 for further information.







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