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Media Release

Male Flees From Traffic Stop in His Vehicle and Results in a Crashed Car and Multiple Charges

On Monday, November 28, 2016 at approximately 3:25 p.m., while patrolling northbound IR580 south of Mt Rose Highway, a Nevada State Trooper made a traffic stop on a green Hyundai Elantra for speed (80 mph in a posted 70mph zone). Once stopped, the Trooper approached the vehicle. Upon approach of the vehicle, the white male adult driver of the Hyundai fled the traffic stop by driving away.

The Trooper returned to his vehicle and caught up to the Hyundai that was now traveling at speeds of approximately 100 mph northbound on IR580. The Hyundai attempted to take the northbound IR580 Mt. Rose Highway off ramp. Traveling at speeds too fast to negotiate the off ramp, the Hyundai crashed into a concrete roadway barrier and was redirected into the dirt median on the left side of the off ramp.

The adult male and sole occupant of the vehicle fled the crashed vehicle on foot. He was seen jumping a fence and running into a field in the area of the Ormat Power Plant located to the south east of the intersection with IR580 and Mt. Rose Highway. Verbal commands were being given by Troopers and were ignored.

With the assistance of Washoe County Deputies and the Reno Police Department, the driver was located and placed into custody without further incident.

The driver was identified as Billy Joe Williamson II. Williamson was taken to the Washoe County Jail and booked on the following charges.

Basic Speed 21-30 mph over the posted speed limit
Disobey of a police officer
Driving with a revoked driver's license (due to previous DUI)
Possession of drug paraphernalia
Failure to maintain travel lane
Misdemeanor Warrant

Nevada Highway Patrol Trooper Ortega 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 contact him at (775) 688-2500 or mortega@dps.state.nv.us regarding case number NHP-161102718.

