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Media Release

Motorcyclist Killed in Five Vehicle Crash

On Monday, February 22, 2016 at approximately 5:50 p.m. Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to an accident on northbound State Route 160 in Clark County.

The preliminary crash investigation revealed that a silver 2007 Harley Davidson motorcycle, a red 2002 Harley Davidson motorcycle, a blue 2012 Honda CR-V, and a gray 2005 Harley Davidson motorcycle were traveling northbound on SR160, south of mile marker 16 in Clark County. The Honda CR-V was ahead of the silver Harley, the silver Harley was ahead of the red Harley, and the red Harley was ahead of the gray Harley. A silver 2015 Ford Edge was traveling southbound on SR160 approaching the Honda CR-V. In an effort to pass the Honda CR-V, the rider of the silver Harley crossed the center line and traveled northbound in the southbound travel lane. The front of the Ford Edge struck the front of the silver Harley. The rider of the silver Harley was ejected. The Ford Edge rotated clockwise and traveled into the path of the Honda CR-V. In an attempt to avoid collision with the Honda CR-V, the rider of the red Harley steered right into the paved shoulder causing the left side of the red Harley to strike the right side of the Honda CR-V. The red Harley overturned and the rider was ejected. The left front of the Honda CR-V then struck the left side of the Ford Edge. The gray Harley rider applied heavy braking and steered to the right causing the Harley to overturn onto its side, eject the rider, and strike the left side of the Honda CR-V.

The 46 year old male rider of the silver Harley, who was later identified as Heath Vanstone from Las Vegas, NV succumbed to injuries sustained in the crash and was pronounced deceased on scene.

The 50 year old female driver and the 78 year old male left rear passenger of the Ford Edge were transported to UMC trauma by AMR with serious injuries. The 77 year old female right front passenger of the Ford Edge was transported to UMC trauma by Mercy Air with critical injuries.

The 44 year old male rider of the red Harley was not transported.

The 34 year old female driver and the 30 year old male passenger of the Honda CR-V were not transported.

The 49 year old male rider of the gray motorcycle was transported to UMC trauma by AMR with serious injuries.

This marks Nevada Highway Patrol-Southern Command's 9th crash resulting in 10 lives lost for 2016.

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