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Media Release

One Driver Dies After Wrong Way Head-On Collision on Pyramid Highway

On Friday, May 27th, 2016 at approximately 11:04 pm, Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a two vehicle collision that occurred on Pyramid Highway just north of the intersection with Calle de la Plata.

Preliminary crash investigation details indicate that a white Kia Rio, driven by 56 year old Reno NV resident Bret Harris was traveling wrong way in the southbound travel lanes of Pyramid Highway through the intersection of Calle De La Plata. Sparks Nevada resident, 19 year old Andrea Perrine was driving her silver Ford Escape southbound on Pyramid Highway in the southbound travel lane approaching the intersection with Calle De La Plata. The vehicles collided head-on in the southbound travel lane of Pyramid Highway just north of the intersection with Calle De La Plata. Both vehicles were redirected backwards due to the force of the collision. The Kia came to rest on its wheels facing north in the southbound travel lanes. The Escape came to rest on its wheels facing southbound in the center of the highway, partially blocking both north and southbound fast lanes.

Harris succumbed to injuries incurred during the course of the crash and was pronounced deceased on scene. Perrine was transported by ambulance to a local area hospital with non life threatening injuries.

Harris did not have his seatbelt on at the time of the crash. Perrine was wearing her seatbelt. The drivers were the sole occupants of either vehicle. This area of SR445 is a two lane highway with one lane in either direction.

Trooper Karen Garretson of the Nevada Highway Patrol's Multi-Disciplinary Investigation and Reconstruction Team (MIRT) 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 her at (775) 688-2500 or kgarretson@dps.state.nv.us regarding case number NHP-160502488.



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