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Driver and Passenger Killed in Rollover Crash

On Saturday, February 18, 2017 at approximately 3:12 a.m., Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a crash on northbound Interstate 15

The preliminary crash investigation revealed that a maroon Toyota Tacoma pickup was traveling northbound on IR15 north of mile marker 2 in the middle travel lane. A white Nissan Altima was traveling northbound on IR15 north of mile marker 2 also in the middle travel lane ahead of the Tacoma. The Tacoma was traveling at a speed greater than the Altima and failed to decrease its speed, causing the front of the Tacoma to strike the rear of the Altima. The Tacoma rotated clockwise across the right travel lane and right paved shoulder into the graded dirt shoulder. The driver of the Tacoma overcorrected left and began to rotate counterclockwise in the dirt shoulder. The right side of the Tacoma struck a highway hazard sign and continued north where it overturned in the desert terrain. All 3 occupants in the Tacoma were unbelted and were ejected during the crash. The Altima rotated clockwise across all lanes and entered the left dirt shoulder. The driver of the Altima steered right and reentered the roadway.

The suspected driver of the Toyota Tacoma who was later identified as 29 year old Riverside, CA resident, Leslie Gilmore succumbed to injuries sustained in the crash and was declared deceased on scene.

The other occupants of the Toyota Tacoma were transported to UMC with critical injuries. On Sunday, February 19, 2017, 23 year old Andrew Dorado succumbed to injuries sustained in the crash and was declared deceased at UMC. The 3 occupants in the Nissan Altima were not transported.

This marks Nevada Highway Patrol Southern Command's 10th fatal crash resulting in 11 fatalities. This tragedy is another reminder of the importance of buckling up. Wearing your seatbelt can reduce your chance of serious injury and death by half. Everyone can do their part by making sure everyone in the car buckles up.

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