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## Media Release

## **Two Las Vegas Men Killed in Rollover Accident on Interstate 15**

On Thursday, December 31, 2015 at approximately 10:08 p.m. Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a rollover accident on southbound Interstate 15 near the Craig road off ramp.

The preliminary crash investigation revealed that a black 2010 Nissan 370z was traveling southbound on I-15 in the right travel lane approaching the Craig Rd off ramp. The 22 year old male driver, who was from Las Vegas, NV, made an unsafe lane change to the left, losing control of the vehicle. The Nissan rotated counter clockwise where it traveled into the center median area striking the divider wall with its right rear. The vehicle then traveled back to the right, across all travel lanes, onto the right improved shoulder where it overturned, coming to rest on its top and caught fire.

Both the driver and 24 year old male passenger, who also was from Las Vegas, NV, were pronounced deceased on scene. Speed is considered to have played a factor and toxicology results are pending.

This marked the 63<sup>rd</sup> fatal crash, 71<sup>st</sup> fatality, for the Nevada Highway Patrol-Southern Command in 2015. For further information, you can contact either Trooper Chelsea Stuenkel at 702-469-3882 or Trooper Loy Hixson at 702-533-6808.



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