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Media Release

Two Seriously Injured After Single Vehicle Accident on Pyramid Highway

On Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at approximately 3:00 p.m., Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a single vehicle rollover injury accident that occurred on State Route 445 (Pyramid Highway) near Ironwood Dr. approximately 18 miles North of Sparks.

The preliminary crash investigation details indicate a 2001 gold Ford Focus driven by 23 year old Randy A Hicks Jr. of San Martin, CA along with passenger 21 year old Nicholas G. Guevara was traveling southbound on Pyramid Highway when for unknown reasons Mr. Hicks lost control of the Ford Focus. The vehicle drifted onto the right shoulder and Mr. Hicks over corrected back onto the pavement which caused the vehicle to skid over the center lane line and across the northbound travel lane and onto the west side dirt. The vehicle then struck an embankment and overturned ejecting both occupants.

Mr. Hicks was transported to Renown Medical Center by Care Flight with serious life-threatening injuries and Mr. Guevara was transported to Renown by REMSA with serious injuries. It appears that neither occupant was wearing their seatbelts. Alcohol and or drugs are being investigated as a factor in the cause of this accident.

Both the north and southbound travel lanes where shut down for several hours while the accident scene was investigated and diagramed. However, traffic was being diverted around the accident scene by NDOT traffic control. This area of Pyramid Highway is a no passing zone with one lane in each direction and the speed limit is 70 mph.

Trooper Chris Kelly 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 him at (775) 689-4661 or ckelly@dps.state.nv.us regarding case number NHP-150401907.

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