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MAIT Investigating 1 Fatal and 1 Major Injury Accident

WHEN & WHERE: 1. At approximately 2:30 am on Eastlake Blvd. (Washoe Valley)
 2. At approximately 5:50 am on Encanto Drive. (Spanish Springs)

VICTIM/S: 1. 32 year old male, 21 year old female in Dodge 4x4
 2. 21 year old male driving white 2 door sedan

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The Washoe County Sheriff's Office Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT) are investigating two crashes that occurred in the early morning hours of May 10, 2008.

At approximately 2:30 am this morning, a Dodge 4x4 vehicle was traveling northbound on Eastlake Blvd. in Washoe Valley. The driver, a 32 year old male, lost control of the vehicle near Freckles Court. The vehicle crossed the roadway and into a field rolling twice. The driver and 21 year old female passenger were ejected from the vehicle and were pronounced dead at the scene.

At approximately 5:50 am, a white 2 door sedan was traveling westbound on Encanto Drive off Calle De La Plata in Spanish Springs. The driver, a 21 year old male, lost control of the vehicle and it drove into a ditch. The vehicle rolled and caught on fire trapping the victim inside. The Fire Department arrived on scene and doused the flames allowing emergency teams to rescue the driver who was seriously injured. The victim was taken by care-flight to Renown Medical Center.

It is unknown at this time if speed or alcohol played a factor in either crash. The names of the victims are being withheld until family is notified.