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PRESS RELEASE

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To: All Media Partners

From: Jennifer M. Hansen, Public Information Officer

Date: October 20, 2015

RE: Coroner Case – Dirt Bike Crash, north of SR 203 near Mammoth Mountain Ski Area

On the afternoon of Friday, October 16, 2015, at approximately 3:00pm, Mono County Sheriff's Dispatch received a 911 call regarding a single dirt bike collision near the Chair 2 parking lot at Mammoth Mountain Ski Area.

Kurt Kruse, age 59, of Mammoth Lakes, California, was riding dirt bikes with his son when he crashed into a fallen tree while going around a curve. Mono County Paramedics, Mammoth Lakes Police Department, and the Mono County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to the area. Upon arrival, CPR was in progress and Mr. Kruse was transported by ambulance to Mammoth Hospital. Mr. Kruse was pronounced deceased at Mammoth Hospital.

The cause of death is pending autopsy results but appears to be of traumatic injuries caused by the crash.

Written and reported by: Jennifer M. Hansen, Public Information Officer