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Man Charged in Deaths of Five Cyclists Killed on U.S. 95 Near Searchlight

The Clark County District Attorney has filed a criminal complaint against Jordan Barson, charging him with five counts of DUI resulting in death (2-20 years in prison, per count), one count of DUI resulting in substantial bodily harm (2-20 years in prison), five counts of Reckless Driving resulting in death (1-6 years in prison, per count) and one count of Reckless Driving resulting in substantial bodily harm (1-6 years in prison). These charges come after Mr. Barson caused an accident on the morning of December 10, 2020, that killed five bicyclists and injured several others, on U.S. 95 near Mile Marker 34 near Searchlight, Nevada—approximately 60 miles south of Las Vegas. The DUI charges stem from the fact that methamphetamine was found in Mr. Barson's system.

"I'm at a loss for words," said Clark County District Attorney Steve Wolfson. "I have said hundreds of times, to countless people, making the choice to get behind the wheel of a car when you are intoxicated is reckless. Those actions are unacceptable, and they have consequences. Tragically, this type of reckless behavior has left five people dead, several injured, and our community in mourning once again."

Mr. Barson is currently in custody and awaiting extradition from Mojave County, Arizona.

NOTE: District Attorney Steve Wolfson is available for virtual interviews regarding this case. Please email Media@ClarkCountyDA.com to schedule an interview.