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ABC Identifies Source of Alcohol in Crash that Injured 9 Minors

(Millville, Shasta County) - ABC Agents from the Redding District Office have identified the source of alcohol connected to a crash that injured nine minors in Shasta County. Agents determined Trevor Richard Lackie (age 34) of Shingletown and Alex Andrew Mello (age 25) of Shingletown, furnished alcohol to multiple minors involved in the crash.

It was in the early morning hours on June 20, 2015 when the California Highway Patrol responded to a single vehicle injury crash on State Route 44 west of South Cow Creek Road, east of Millville Plains. The vehicle contained 10 occupants who all had been consuming alcohol. Nine of the vehicle's occupants were under the age of 21.

The California Highway Patrol contacted the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) about the incident and ABC immediately launched a parallel investigation through its TRACE program. TRACE stands for Target Responsibility for Alcohol-Connected Emergencies.

An official investigative report was filed in September of 2015 with the Shasta County District Attorney's Office and arrest warrants were issued for Lackie and Mello for their role in the incident. Lackie and Mello are scheduled to appear in the Shasta County Superior Court on November 16, 2015. They face up to one year in jail and up to a \$1,000.00 fine or both.

ABC has conducted hundreds of TRACE investigations since the program's inception. The grant provides funding for in-depth ABC investigations of serious incidents including car crashes, alcohol overdoses, poisonings and assaults where alcohol is a contributing factor and minors are involved. The TRACE program is made possible by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) through the National Highway Transportation and Safety Administration.

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