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**NEWS RELEASE**

**Intoxicated Wrong Way Driver Caused Fatal Collision**

Date: November 1, 11:05 p.m.  
Location: Loop 375 West at mp 59  
Vehicle 1: 2003 Ford Expedition  
Offender/Driver: 42 –year old Esteban Israel Lopez

Vehicle 2: 2006 Ford Fusion  
Driver: 23 –year old Sergio Josue Gonzalez

El Paso, Texas- Special Traffic Investigations officers arrested a 42 year old man for causing a fatal wrong way head on collision on Loop 375. 42 –year old Esteban Israel Lopez was driving a Ford Expedition the wrong way on the west bound lanes of Loop 375 West and drove head on into a Ford Fusion in the left lane. The driver of the Fusion, 23 –year old Sergio Josue Gonzalez was killed as a result of the crash. Lopez was charged with Intoxication Manslaughter and booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility under a \$100,000 bond. This was the 58<sup>th</sup> traffic fatality of the year.

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