Brothers plead guilty to poaching pregnant deer in Douglas County

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Two Nevada brothers have pleaded guilty to poaching a pregnant deer near their home in Douglas County.

Nevada Department of Wildlife Game Warden Rob Buonamici says the mule deer was pregnant with twins when Gonzalo Cossio and Jesus Cossio-Pitones illegally shot the animal near Holbrook Junction in March.

He says they harvested, gutted and cleaned the animal before a citizen saw them disposing of the carcass and alerted authorities.

Cossio has been sentenced to 90 days in jail. His brother, Cossio-Pitones, had to forfeit the weapon used to kill the deer. He's also prohibited from possessing a firearm, or purchasing any hunting license or tag.