

Driverless trucks tested in Nevada



Otto test-runs an 18-wheeler on Interstate 80 outside Reno. Photo/Otto

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Founded by a group of former Google engineers, self-driving trucking startup Otto blazed through Nevada in 2016 and left behind some serious tread.

Otto launched in January, and by May the San Francisco-based company had conducted the first-ever test run of an 18-wheeler, on an interstate outside of Reno, with no one on board.

The company heralded the drive as a huge success in a video posted on YouTube, and three months later Uber bought Otto for \$680 million.

But the historic ride may also have been the first moving violation committed by a driverless vehicle in Nevada.

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