

SAFESTAT REPORT

Nevada Highway Patrol Flight Operations
Chief Pilot / Lt. Wes Brown

Overview



Statewide flight operations flew a total of 21 missions during the month of July for a total of 63.6 flight hours. Following is a breakdown of activities.

Total Missions	Flight Hours	Flight Time %	Description
8	30.9	49	Speed Enforcement
5	25.4	40	Prisoner Transports
2	2.0	3	Personnel Transports
2	2.0	3	Property Transports
2	1.4	2	Patrol
1	1.0	2	Maintenance
1	.9	1	Search and Rescue

Nine speed enforcement missions were scheduled for the month and 8 were flown. Two were cancelled by Central Command in order to have ground units spread through out the region on the holiday rather than concentrated at the enforcement site and 1 mission was added spontaneously and flown.

A total of 282 enforcement actions were taken. Following is a breakdown of enforcement activities.

Type of Violation	Enforcement Actions
Speed	242
Hazardous Moving	14
Non-Hazardous Moving	22
Seatbelts	1
Arrests	3

During the course of line patrol and speed enforcement, 26 motorists were assisted and 3 vehicles were impounded.

The high speed for the month was a silver Volkswagen sedan that was cited on I-15 near Sloan for 112 mph.

Of regional significance:

Central Command

The Central Command Aircraft is back in service, after being down for approximately 3 months for major maintenance and a new engine installation.

On July 6, a prisoner was transported from Elko to Lyon County where he will face felony charges.

On July 13, personnel and property transports were completed between Elko and Carson City.

On July 27, while en route to a speed enforcement flight a report was received of cows on the interstate right of way near the River Ranch exit. The cows were located and units on the ground rounded them up and put them back where they belonged prior to completing the speed enforcement mission.

On July 28, while on speed enforcement near Wells an attempt to locate was put out on a white Dodge Station wagon that failed to pay for fuel at an Elko gas station. The vehicle was not located by air, however, within 20 minutes of the report the registration information was obtained including the owners address where enforcement action could be taken.

Southern Command

Six prisoners were moved by division aircraft. All prisoners were flown instate. Prisoners were transported to Ely, Hawthorne and Lincoln County.

On July 15, swing shift units were utilized for an enforcement mission on I-15 near Sloan. As a result, 66 enforcement actions were taken in 3.8 hours, or 17.3 issued cites per hour. Twenty-three vehicle stops were made on those traveling between 80 mph and 90 mph in a posted 70 mph zone. The majority, 38 however were stopped for traveling between 90 mph and 100mph. Our top speed for the afternoon was 105mph. One arrest was made for an occupied stolen vehicle.

Northern Command

The Northern Command aircraft has been out of service for maintenance for the month of July. It is expected to return to service by August 5, 2011. The Chief Pilot was on annual leave from July 16 through 26. The Chief Pilot flew 10 missions in the Central Command aircraft this month and this activity is accounted for in the Central Command Safestat report.





