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NORTHERN COMMAND EAST

Department of Public Safety Nevada Highway Patrol

SAFESTAT REPORT

Nevada Highway Patrol Captain Pat Gallagher

Overview

There were 66 crashes that occurred in April 2012. This is a decrease of 30.5% compared to last month's 95 crashes, and a decrease of 29.8% for crashes investigated in April 2011. Property crashes decreased by 27% compared to March 2012. Injury crashes decreased by 41.4% as compared to March 2012. There were three fatal accident investigations this month compared to three fatal accidents in March 2012 and two in April 2011. In these crashes there were three persons that sustained fatal injuries; two restrained drivers and one un-restrained passenger. There was one crash involving an impaired driver, which was three less when compared to last month and five less compared to last year. Of the 66 accidents, 9 or 13.6% involved commercial motor vehicles. Commercial drivers were found to be at fault in five or 55.56%, of these accidents. Five of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80.

Total enforcement activity for April 2012 was 2301 cited violations. This was an increase of 473 violations or 25.9% as compared to March 2012. Compared to April of 2011, the command showed an increase of 625 violations or 37.3%. Speed violations increased by 350 or 46.7%, as compared to March 2012 and increased 33.3% compared to April 2011. Hazardous moving violations increased 18.8% from the prior month and decreased of 9.0%, compared to April 2011. Occupant restraint violations increased by 99.1% compared to March 2012; and they rose by 29.5% compared to April 2011. There were 21 arrests of impaired drivers made in April 2012. Of those 21 arrests, one was from an accident investigation. The total arrests for April 2012 showed no change in persons arrested compared to March 2012 and an increase of ten compared to April 2011.

Commercial vehicle inspections decreased by 22.8% or 153 inspections as compared to March 2012 and there were 86 fewer safety violations written in April 2012 than in March 2012. Commercial operations showed 16 fewer citations issued, compared to March 2012 and an increase of 14 citation or 30.4% compared to April 2011. Officers placed 11 vehicles and 16 drivers, "Out of Service", in April 2012. Vehicles placed out of service decreased by 59.3% while drivers decreased by 20% compared to March 2012. Vehicles placed out of service rose by 10% and drivers placed out of service were unchanged compared to April 2011. Traffic personnel conducted 240 commercial inspections during April 2012 and issued 53 safety violation citations and 152 safety repair order violations. Additionally, 9 drivers and 6 vehicles where placed out of service by traffic personnel during April 2012. During the month of April there was annual recertification training and hazmat commercial recertification classes attended by multiple traffic and commercial personnel.

Front office staff processed 40 fewer accident reports for a decrease of 41.24% compared to March 2012. Arrest reports processed decreased by 23 or 35.38% compared to March 2012. Processed incident reports decreased by 4 compared to March 2012. The Communications Center radio transmissions increased by 2.89% compared to March 2012. Computer Aided Dispatch incidents also increased by 0.51%. Telephone calls were not counted or compared to March 2012 (The recorder equipment that counts the calls is still out for repairs).

Warrant office staff saw increases in warrants entered, received and cleared compared to March 2012. Warrants validated decreased compared to March 2012. Extraditions and transports decreased compared to last month.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

Northern Command East Totals				Prior	
	April-12	Same Period Previous Year	% Change	Reporting Period	% Change
Total Crashes	66	94	-29.8%	95	-30.5%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	46	70	-34.3%	63	-27.0%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	17	22	-22.7%	29	-41.4%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	3	2	50.0%	3	0.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	1	6	-83.3%	4	-75.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	3	2	50.0%	3	0.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1	0	100.0%	0	100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	2	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	1	-100.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	9	13	-30.8%	15	-40.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	6	13	-53.8%	8	-25.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	3	0	300.0%	5	-40.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0	0	0.0%	2	-200.0%

CRASH ANALYSIS

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes
Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes
Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed
Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes
1.5%
Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes
13.6%

- ◆ Total crashes were down 29.8% compared to last year.
- Commercial vehicle crashes are up 30.3% from last year.
- Fatality crashes are up by 1 as compared to last year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total Contacts 3271

Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) N/A

(No ICE Team in Central Command.)

Total Traffic Safety Program Operations 2

OTS Joining Forces (96 hours) Badge on Board (20 hours)

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

[Analysis and review of current reporting period, versus same period in previous fiscal year, versus previous reporting period]

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	April-12	Same Period Previous Year	% Change	Prior Reporting Period	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	1	6	-83.3%	5	-80.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	20	13	53.8%	20	0.0%
Other Arrests	96	106	-9.4%	107	-10.3%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	57	47	21.3%	57	0.0%
Speed violations	1100	825	33.3%	750	46.7%
Hazardous moving violations	101	111	-9.0%	85	18.8%
Occupant restraint violations *	215	166	29.5%	108	99.1%
Total violations [above violations included]	2301	1676	37.3%	1828	25.9%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS					
Hazardous moving violations -citations/arrests	91	22	313.6%	10	810.0%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	41	28	46.4%	18	127.8%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3. 4. & 6]	519	463	12.1%	672	-22.8%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	0	0	0.0%	1	-100.0%
Total safety violations citation	60	46	30.4%	76	-21.1%
Total safety violations repair order	287	280	2.5%	373	-23.1%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	11	10	10.0%	27	-59.3%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	16	16	0.0%	20	-20.0%
Total school buses inspected	52	57	-8.8%	53	-1.9%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	9	0	900.0%	3	200.0%
Total trucks weighed	121	118	2.5%	127	-4.7%
Total overweight citations	0	1	-100.0%	0	0.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	508	446	13.9%	771	-34.1%
Total dyed fuel citations	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

^{*}Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]	Cid Ops	Rural Ops	Task Force
Level 2/3 Inspections	0	240	0
Safety Violations Citation	0	53	0
Safety Violations Repair Order	0	152	0
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	0	9	0
Dyed Fuel Inspections	0	199	0
Dyed Fuel Citations	0	0	0

DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ◆ Average BAC 0.106% on breath tests.
- ♣ Average age of DUI arrests: 39.9 years old.
- 61% of the DUI drivers arrested are pending blood draw results for controlled substance or BAC.
- 5% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	April-12	Same month prior year	% Change	Prior Reporting Period	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
Radio Transmissions from Console	46882	46985	-0.22%	45563	2.89%
Radio Tx and Receive totals	N/A	N/A	#VALUE!	N/A	#VALUE!
CAD Incidents	3745	7065	-46.99%	3726	0.51%
Telephone Calls	0	7086	- 708600.00 %	0	0.00%
Call Box Incidents	N/A	N/A	#VALUE!	N/A	#VALUE!
[Las Vegas only]					
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	57	91	-37.36%	97	-41.24%
Arrest Reports Processed	42	44	-4.55%	65	-35.38%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	7	10	-30.00%	11	-36.36%
Vehicle Impound Releases	2	N/A	#VALUE!	6	-66.67%
Visitors at Counter	91	N/A	#VALUE!	77	18.18%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	23	N/A	#VALUE!	72	-68.06%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	227	188	20.74%	192	18.23%
Warrants Entered	252	185	36.22%	234	7.69%
Warrants Cleared	431	93	363.44%	132	226.52%
Warrants Validated	1191	1305	-8.74%	1615	-26.25%
Extradition / Transports	1	6	-83.33%	7	-85.71%
CONTRACT SEVICES					
Total Contracts	5	4	25.00%	11	-54.55%
Total Hours	75.92	131.25	-42.16%	632.68	-88.00%
Total Billed	\$6,970.05	\$11,509.85	-39.44%	\$54,972.98	-87.32%

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone	Press Releases	Media	PIEO Meetings	Accident
Activity		Interview/TV		Response
55	2	15	5	0

Website E-	E-Mail	Public	News Articles	Proactive	Reactive
Mail Traffic	Responses	Relations	Total	News	News
		Projects		Articles	Articles
8	20	2	1	1	0

Community service appearances:

Attend Eureka High School and Great Basin College Career fairs.

Attend the Elko Mining Association Safety fair. Brought the Seatbelt Convincer, displayed patrol car, and had a safety booth.

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

Trp. Stewart conducted a distracted driving presentation for the entire Nevada Department of Transportation Dist. III. There were discussions of cell phone/texting laws and accident prevention. (Approximately 180 employees)

Trp. Stewart conducted a Code 3 (Lights and Siren) presentation for BLM firefighters in Ely and Battle Mountain. He discussed some hazards and driver safety when operating code 3.

Trp. Stewart taught a CDL safety class at Great Basin College covering log books, inspection procedures, seatbelts, and load securement.

PIO Projects:

- Work with Elko County School District on School Bus Safety.
- Conducted a Badge on Board campaign with focus on pedestrian safety. Completed a press release with pictures.

The radar trailer was deployed on SR227 for 1 week (Spring Creek area).