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NORTHERN COMMAND
Department of Public Safety
Nevada Highway Patrol

SAFESTAT REPORT

Nevada Highway Patrol
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Overview

This month Northern Command West hosted a visit from the 1st lady, the Vice President, and the Republican Presidential Candidate. We utilized additional staff on these events and worked in conjunction with the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Reno Police Department, and Sparks Police Department.

In continued support of the Strategic Highway Safety Plan, all commanders in both the Northern Command West and East participated in committees in the five critical emphasis areas: impaired driving, seatbelts, pedestrians, lane departures, and intersections.

One Northern Command West sergeant and two Northern Command West officers dedicated 188 hours toward completing background investigations for officer applicants. Our staff also dedicated 645.75 hours to training at the DPS Academy, 50 hours of training to Capitol Police, and 30 hours of training to P.O.S.T.

This month we experienced a 2.2% increase in our overall traffic crashes when compared to the month of September. Northern Command West officers handled 329 crashes in October. An overview of the crashes showed 218 were property damage, 110 were classified as injury crashes, and one was classified as a fatal crash. As compared to October of 2011, we experienced a 55.6% increase in our regional commercial vehicle crashes at 14 for the month. In our overall October 2012 totals, intoxicated drivers were responsible for 10 crashes in the Northern Command West.

The officers in our command arrested 75 intoxicated drivers this month. The average blood alcohol level of those intoxicated drivers was 0.16%, twice the legal limit of 0.08% blood alcohol content. The average age of the intoxicated driver was 38 years old. Our officers arrested an additional 402 people on various charges over the month of October. In other areas of enforcement, our officers wrote 2,264 speed citations, 979 hazardous moving citations, and 293 seatbelt citations.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

| | October 2012 | October 2011 | % Change | September 2012 | % Change |
|--|--------------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
| Total crashes | 329 | 265 | 24.2% | 322 | 2.2% |
| Property crashes [including commercial vehicles] | 218 | 179 | 21.8% | 221 | -1.4% |
| Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles] | 110 | 82 | 34.1% | 99 | 11.1% |
| Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles] | 1 | 4 | -75.0% | 2 | -50.0% |
| DUI crashes [DUI charged] | 10 | 17 | -41.2% | 18 | -44.4% |
| Total persons killed in fatal crashes | 1 | 5 | -80.0% | 6 | -83.3% |
| Total drivers killed without seatbelts | 1 | 1 | | 3 | -66.7% |
| Total passengers killed without seatbelts | | 1 | -100% | 1 | -100.0% |
| Total drivers killed with seatbelts | | 3 | -300% | 2 | -200.0% |
| Total passengers killed with seatbelts | | | | | |
| Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable | | | | 2 | -200.0% |
| Total number of commercial vehicle crashes | 14 | 9 | 55.6% | 18 | -22.2% |
| Property crashes involving commercial vehicle | 9 | 8 | 12.5% | 13 | -30.8% |
| Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle | 5 | 1 | 400.0% | 5 | |
| Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle | | 12 | -1200% | 0 | |

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.3%
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 3.0 %
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 100.0%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 4.3%
- ✱ Total crashes are down 24.2% compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes are up 55.6% from last year.
- ✱ Fatality crashes are down 75.0% as compared to last year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total Contacts 8567

Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) 332

Total Traffic Safety Program Operations: 65

Motors - 57

Commercial - 0

Rural - 4

CTM had 192 hrs dedicated to STEP and 4 Safety Programs

RUT- 0

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

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

| TRAFFIC OPERATIONS | October 2012 | October 2011 | % Change | September 2012 | % Change |
|--|--------------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
| DUI arrests from crashes ## | 10 | 17 | -41.2% | 18 | -44.4% |
| DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ## | 65 | 64 | 1.6% | 86 | -24.4% |
| Other arrests | 402 | 401 | 0.2% | 486 | -17.3% |
| Total persons arrested (DUI included) ## | 167 | 154 | 8.4% | 207 | -19.3% |
| Speed violations | 2264 | 2981 | -24.1% | 2726 | -16.9% |
| Hazardous moving violations | 979 | 603 | 62.4% | 1204 | -18.7% |
| Occupant restraint violations * ## | 293 | 250 | -16.3% | 311 | -5.8% |
| Total violations [above violations included] | 6051 | 6360 | -4.9% | 7267 | -16.7% |
| COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS | | | | | |
| Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests | 47 | 47 | | 177 | -73.4% |
| Other traffic violations - citations/arrests | 42 | 42 | | 88 | -52.3% |
| Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6] | 788 | 842 | -6.4% | 716 | 10.1% |
| Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only | 1 | 1 | | 0 | 100.0% |
| Total safety violations -- citation | 210 | 234 | -10.3% | 272 | -22.8% |
| Total safety violations -- repair order | 1712 | 1790 | -4.4% | 1806 | -5.2% |
| Total vehicles placed "Out of Service" | 66 | 66 | | 90 | -26.7% |
| Total drivers placed "Out of Service" | 64 | 73 | -12.3% | 55 | 16.4% |
| Total school buses inspected | 205 | 205 | | 148 | 38.5% |
| Total school buses placed "Out of Service" | 50 | 50 | | 23 | 117.4% |
| Total trucks weighed | 4421 | 4417 | 0.1% | 45 | 9724.4% |
| Total overweight citations | 4 | 4 | | 14 | -71.4% |
| Total dyed fuel inspections | 247 | 252 | -2.0% | 252 | -2.0% |
| Total dyed fuel citations | 1 | 1 | | 0 | 100.0% |

*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

| COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY] | TOTAL | | | |
|---|-------|--|--|--|
| Level 2/3 Inspections | 15 | | | |
| Safety Violations Citation | 4 | | | |
| Safety Violations Repair Order | 40 | | | |
| Drivers Placed "Out of Service" | 2 | | | |
| Dyed Fuel Inspections | 2 | | | |
| Dyed Fuel Citations | 0 | | | |

DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ✱ Average BAC .16%
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests 38 years old.
- ✱ 19% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

| ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES | October 2012 | October 2011 | % Change | September 2012 | % Change |
|--|--------------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
| COMMUNICATION CENTER | | | | | |
| Radio Transmissions from Console | 194083.0 | 436232.00 | -55.51% | 247245.0 | -21.5% |
| Radio Tx and Receive totals | | | | | |
| CAD Incidents | 11266.00 | 11847.00 | -4.90% | 13639.0 | -17.40% |
| Telephone Calls | 15248.00 | 14168.00 | 7.62% | 17561.0 | -13.17% |
| Call Box Incidents [Las Vegas only] | | | | | |
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| FRONT OFFICE | | | | | |
| Accident Reports Processed | 117 | 306 | -61.8% | 255 | -54.1% |
| Arrest Reports Processed | 150 | 103 | 45.6% | 169 | -11.2% |
| Incident / Officer Reports Processed | 3 | 14 | -78.6% | 5 | -40.0% |
| Vehicle Impound Releases | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Visitors at Counter | 317 | 103 | 207.8% | 307 | 3.3% |
| Crash Reports Mailed Out | 302 | 423 | -28.6% | 275 | 9.8% |
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| COURT / WARRANT | | | | | |
| Warrants Received | 497.00 | 798.00 | -37.72% | 478.0 | 3.97% |
| Warrants Entered | 564.00 | 467.00 | 20.77% | 634.0 | -11.04% |
| Warrants Cleared | 463.00 | 289.00 | 60.21% | 407.0 | 13.76% |
| Warrants Validated | 3622.00 | 2734.00 | 32.48% | 2174.0 | 66.61% |
| Extradition / Transports | 24.00 | 25.00 | -4.00% | 0.00 | -7.69% |
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CONTRACT SERVICES

- 4 Contracts using 68 hours, billed in the amount of \$2862.59

PUBLIC INFORMATION

| Phone Activity | Press Releases | Media Interview/TV | PIEO Meetings | Accident Response |
|----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 242/300 | 2/10 | 23/6 | 1 / 2 | 2 / 5 |

| Website E-Mail Traffic | E-Mail Responses | Public Relations Projects | News Articles Total | Proactive News Articles | Reactive News Articles |
|------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 32 | 245 / 350 | 7 / 3 | 6 / 7 | 2 | 6 / 4 |

Community service appearances:

- The Nevada Highway Patrol was represented in the annual Nevada Day Parade
- Troopers Allen and Stapleton lectured at two driver's education classes
- Trooper Allen delivered a 60-minute traffic safety presentation to a group of AARP driving instructors at their meeting in Reno
- Trooper Allen participated in the annual "Touch a Truck" community safety event at the Somerset Town Square
- Trooper Stapleton participated in two safety fairs for Home Depot
- Trooper Stapleton delivered at 30-minute stranger danger to pre-school
- Trooper Stapleton and G. Moore delivered at 30-minute stranger danger to a learning center
- Troopers Stapleton participated in Tip-O-Cop event at Red Robin Reno

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

- Troopers Allen and Stapleton met with a representative from the Reno Big Horns basketball team to discuss the event details for the upcoming law enforcement appreciation night scheduled for the first part of 2013
- Trooper Allen coordinated a meeting with two area chaplains to meet with NHP staff to discuss the various chaplaincy programs for our agency to consider adopting
- Trooper Stapleton, Allen and Gordon participated in the Muscular Dystrophy Association's annual "Lock-up" fundraiser.
- Trooper Stapleton coordinated with the Nevada Appeal to do a story on the Senior Trooper in the state for the Highway Patrol
- Troopers Allen and Stapleton attended Trooper Larson's badge pinning ceremony for Sr. Troop
- Trooper Stapleton met with Chief Navin of Capitol Police re: Nov. 14 emergency preparedness day at the Capitol
- Troopers Stapleton and Allen met with the Nevada Appeal reporter, Wheeler Cowpertwaite, in order for Wheeler to report on the following two events; Sr. Trooper in the state and the French Blue Reunion

PIO Projects:

- Trooper Allen coordinated a meeting with various wild horse advocacy groups, Nevada Department of Public Safety, other law enforcement agencies and the Nevada Department of Agriculture at the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno
- Trooper Allen and other back-up public information officers began delivering daily traffic reports on 107.3 FM, K-News, in Reno
- Trooper Allen continues to deliver the live daily traffic reports on KRNV TV at 6:34 each weekday morning
- Trooper Stapleton started October 31, delivering the live daily traffic report on KRNV TV at 6:34

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