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NORTHERN COMMAND EAST

Department of Public Safety

Nevada Highway Patrol

SAFESTAT REPORT

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Overview

There were 110 crashes that occurred in January 2013. This is a 10.6% decrease from last month and a 48.6% increase from last year. This is primarily due to a winter storm that struck northern Nevada with heavy freezing rain. Property crashes increased by 71.7% compared to January 2012. Injury crashes remained the same as compared to January 2012. There were no fatal crashes occurring this month, a 300% decrease as compared to January 2012 and a 100% decrease from last month. There were 2 crashes involving impaired drivers, which is a 200% increase from January 2013 and a 50% decrease as compared to December 2012. Of the 110 accidents, 37 or 33.6% involved commercial motor vehicles. Commercial drivers were found to be at fault in 27 or 75%, of these accidents. 27 of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80.

Total enforcement activity for January 2013 was 2,189 cited violations. This was an increase of 231 violations or 11.8% as compared to December 2012. Compared to January 2012, the Command showed an increase of 440 violations or 25.2%. Speed violations increased by 2 or .3%, as compared to December 2012 and 1.1% compared to January 2012. Hazardous moving violations increased 5.5% from the prior month and increased 81.1%, compared to January 2012. Occupant restraint violations increased 47.7% compared to December 2012 and increased by 174.6% as compared to January 2012. There were 16 arrests of impaired drivers made in January 2013. The total arrests for January 2013 showed no change in the number of persons arrested compared to December 2012 and a 40% increase compared to January 2012.

Commercial vehicle inspections decreased by 22.1% or 144 inspections as compared to December 2012. There were 75 fewer safety violations written in January 2013 than in December 2012. Commercial operations showed a decrease of 13 citations issued, compared to December 2012 and a decrease of 30 citations or 56.6% compared to January 2012. Officers placed 12 vehicles and 9 drivers, "Out of Service", in January 2013. Vehicles placed out of service decreased by 6 or 33.3% and drivers placed "Out of Service" decreased by 13 or 59.1% compared to December 2012. Vehicles placed out of service fell by 45.5% and drivers placed out of service fell by 52.6% as compared to January 2012. Traffic personnel conducted 307 commercial inspections during January 2013 and issued 54 safety violation citations and 162 safety repair order violations. This is an increase of 89 inspections from the previous year. Additionally, seven drivers and nine vehicles were placed out of service by traffic personnel during this reporting period.

Front office staff processed a total of 117 accident reports this is an increase of 25.8% as compared to December 2012. Arrest reports processed increased by 14 or 25.4% compared to December 2012. Processed incident reports decreased by one compared to December 2012. The Communications Center radio transmissions increased by 12.4 % compared to December 2012. Computer Aided Dispatch incidents increased by 10.7%. The Center received 6,414 telephone calls for the month of January. This is a 7.6% increase when compared to December 2012.

Warrant office staff saw a decrease in warrants received and an increase of warrants entered as compared to December 2012. Warrants cleared and validated increased compared to December 2012. Extraditions and transports decreased as compared to last month.

Total costs collected for contract services were increased from \$42,031.49 in January 2012 to \$48,721.49 in January 2013.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

Northern Command East Totals	January 2013	Same Period Previous Year	% Change	Prior Reporting Period	% Change
Total Crashes	110	74	48.6%	123	-10.6%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	91	53	71.7%	98	-7.1%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	18	18	0.0%	24	-25.0%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1	3	-66.7%	1	0.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	2	0	200.0%	4	-50.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	0	3	-300.0%	1	-100.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0	1	-100.0%	0	0.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0	1	-100.0%	0	0.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0	1	-100.0%	0	0.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	0	0	0.0%	1	-100.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	37	11	236.4%	10	270.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	27	9	200.0%	8	237.5%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	10	2	400.0%	2	400.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ◆ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.0%
- ◆ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 1.8%
- ◆ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0.0%
- ◆ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 33.6%
- ◆ Total crashes were up 56.2% compared to last year.
- ◆ Commercial vehicle crashes are up 153.3% from last year.
- ◆ Fatality crashes are down by 100% as compared to last year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total Contacts	3,568
Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) (No ICE Team in Central Command.)	N/A
Total Traffic Safety Program Operations OTS Joining Forces	N/A

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

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

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	January 2013	Same Period Previous Year	% Change	Prior Reporting Period	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	2	0	200.0%	4	-50.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	14	20	-30.0%	23	-39.1%
Other Arrests	93	114	-18.4%	98	-5.1%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	70	50	40.0%	70	0.0%
Speed violations	759	751	1.1%	757	0.3%
Hazardous moving violations	134	74	81.1%	127	5.5%
Occupant restraint violations *	195	71	174.6%	132	47.7%
Total violations [above violations included]	2189	1749	25.2%	1958	11.8%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS					
Hazardous moving violations -citations/arrests	10	11	-9.1%	9	11.1%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	9	4	125.0%	8	12.5%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	508	598	-15.1%	652	-22.1%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	23	53	-56.6%	36	-36.1%
Total safety violations -- repair order	197	265	-25.7%	272	-27.6%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	12	22	-45.5%	18	-33.3%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	9	19	-52.6%	22	-59.1%
Total school buses inspected	0	0	0.0%	47	-4700.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	0	0	0.0%	11	-1100.0%
Total trucks weighed	558	194	187.6%	1673	-66.6%
Total overweight citations	2	2	0.0%	0	200.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	497	566	-12.2%	585	-15.0%
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	307	0
Safety Violations Citation	0	54	0
Safety Violations Repair Order	0	162	0
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	0	7	0
Dyed Fuel Inspections	0	232	0
Dyed Fuel Citations	0	0	0

DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ✱ Average BAC 0.143% on breath tests.
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests: 29.5 years old.
- ✱ 60% of the DUI drivers arrested are pending blood draw results for controlled substance or BAC.
- ✱ 20% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	January 2013		Same month prior year	% Change		Prior Reporting Period	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions from Console	52955		41956	26.22%		47102	12.43%
Radio Tx and Receive totals	N/A		N/A	#VALUE!		N/A	#VALUE!
CAD Incidents	3974		2996	32.64%		3589	10.73%
Telephone Calls	6414		3301	94.30%		5961	7.60%
Call Box Incidents	N/A		N/A	#VALUE!		N/A	#VALUE!
[Las Vegas only]							
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	117		73	60.27%		93	25.81%
Arrest Reports Processed	69		48	43.75%		55	25.45%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	5		14	-64.29%		6	-16.67%
Vehicle Impound Releases	19		5	280.00%		7	171.43%
Visitors at Counter	128		93	37.63%		86	48.84%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	58		44	31.82%		42	38.10%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	238		104	128.85%		379	-37.20%
Warrants Entered	415		102	306.86%		351	18.23%
Warrants Cleared	162		146	10.96%		129	25.58%
Warrants Validated	1500		1583	-5.24%		1063	41.11%
Extradition / Transports	1		1	0.00%		3	-66.67%
CONTRACT SERVICES							
Total Contracts	13		4	225.00%		11	18.18%
Total Hours	572.75		486.92	17.63%		571.75	0.17%
Total Billed	\$48,721.49		\$42,031.49	15.92%		\$53,591.44	-9.09%

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIO Meetings	Accident Response
30	5	15	5	2

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
3	8	2	2	2	0

Community service appearances:

Trooper Stewart, Trooper Howell, and Sgt. Jackson presented the first “Drive Program” presentation in Elko to the Juvenile Probation Office.

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

Trooper Stewart gave 10 traffic safety presentations to Newmont Mine employees in Winnemucca for their annual refresher training. Approximately 1700 total employees in attendance for the training.

Sgt. Gamberg, Lt. Grigg and Captain Merschel attended a meeting held by the Ely Justice Court to discuss cooperation with the Court and local law enforcement. Other attendees included the White Pine County Sheriff’s Office, Investigation Division, Ely Shoshone Tribal Police, and the White Pine District Attorney’s Office.

PIO Projects:

N/A