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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 the Northern Command West participated in 17 special enforcement assignments. In addition, the area completed a total of 9,074 public contacts. In addition, our region provided 589 hours of training by 14 staff members in support of the Basic Academy. Three sergeants are attending the Police Staff and Command School offered by the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety and will graduate on May 10, 2013.

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. We presented three DRIVE classes to a total of 64 students.

This month we experienced a 13.7% increase in overall traffic crashes when compared to the month of February 2013. Northern Command West officers handled 249 crashes in March. An overview of the crashes showed 153 were property damage, 94 were classified as injury crashes, and 2 were classified as fatal crashes. As compared to March of 2012, we experienced no change in our regional commercial vehicle crashes at 20 for the month. In our overall March 2013 totals, intoxicated drivers were responsible for 14 crashes in the Northern Command West.

The officers in our command arrested 93 intoxicated drivers this month. The average blood alcohol level of those intoxicated drivers was 0.14%, nearly twice the legal limit of 0.08% blood alcohol content. The average age of the intoxicated driver was 33 years old. Our officers arrested an additional 441 people on various charges over the month of March. In other areas of enforcement, our officers wrote 2,517 speeding citations, 935 hazardous moving citations, and 269 seatbelt citations.

This month we started the planning for training all sworn staff in the ARIDE program.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	March 2013	March 2012	% Change	February 2013	% Change
Total crashes	249	248	.04%	219	13.7%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	153	179	-14.5%	152	0.7%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	94	68	38.2%	63	49.2%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	2	1	100.0%	4	-50.0%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	14	8	75.0%	20	-30.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	2	0	200.0%	4	-50.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0%	2	0.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0%	0	0.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	1	0	100.0%	0	100.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	2	0	200.0%	2	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	20	20	0.0%	11	81.8%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	13	15	-13.3%	10	30.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	7	3	133.3%	1	600.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0	2	-200.0%	0	0.0%

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.8%
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 5.6%
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0.0%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 8.0%
- ✱ Total crashes increased by .04% compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes remained the same as compared to last year.
- ✱ Fatality crashes increased by 100% as compared to last year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total Contacts - 8986

Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) - 88

Total Traffic Safety Programs and Enforcement Operations:

CTM – 170 hrs instructing at the Academy. 13 safety and impaired driver operations.

RUT - 276.5 hrs. instructing at the Academy.

Funeral escort for fallen Marines. MACTAC instructor training

2- SHSP operations for DUI / Cell Phone violations.

Motors – 38.5 hrs. instructing at the academy.

Funeral escort for fallen Marines.

MAIT – 64 hrs. instructing at the Academy.

Rural – 0 hrs instructing.

Presented RADAR course to MCSO employees.

Trp. Fox instructed 100 students at elementary in Fernley re: safety.

Gibson/Zolyniak presented DRIVE course Fernley high, 20 students.

Several employees became certified in MACTAC instruction, provided instruction to various agencies in Vegas area.

Commercial – 40 hrs. instructing at the Academy. No special enforcement operations.

Administrative – None

TOTAL ENFORCEMENT / SPECIAL OPERATIONS: 17

TOTAL ACADEMY TRAINING HOURS: 589 HOURS

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

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

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	March 2013	March 2012	% Change	February 2013	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	14	8	75.0%	20	-30.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	79	87	-9.2%	60	31.7%
Other arrests	441	376	17.3%	414	6.5%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	542	191	183.8%	161	236.6%
Speed violations	2517	3341	-24.7%	1997	26.0% %
Hazardous moving violations	935	1251	-25.3%	641	45.9%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	269	498	-46.0%	187	43.9%
Total violations [above violations included]	6262	8381	-25.3%	5159	21.4%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS					
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	100	37	170.3%	45	122.2%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	82	25	228.0%	26	215.4%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	653	608	7.4%	849	-23.1%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	6	0	600.0%	0	600.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	159	168	-5.4%	187	-15.0%
Total safety violations -- repair order	1372	1256	9.2%	1695	-19.1%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	71	55	29.1%	78	-9.0%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	42	34	23.5%	54	-22.2%
Total school buses inspected	241	263	-8.4%	125	92.8%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	33	49	-32.7%	20	65.0%
Total trucks weighed	8	18	-55.6%	2025	-99.6%
Total overweight citations	6	13	-53.8%	10	-40.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	200	245	-18.4%	199	0.5%
Total dyed fuel citations	0	0	0%	0	0

*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]	NCW OPS			
Level 2/3 Inspections	7			
Safety Violations Citation	4			
Safety Violations Repair Order	5			
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"				
Dyed Fuel Inspections				
Dyed Fuel Citations				

DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ✱ Average BAC 0.14%
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests: 33 years old.
- ✱ 9% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	March 2013	March 2012	% Change	February 2013	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
CAD Incidents	10974	13075	-16.1%	12944.0	-15.2%
Telephone Calls	12413	14067	-11.8%	14379.0	-13.7%
Radio Transmissions	1617907	198503	715.1%	1639511.0	-1.3%
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	189	311	-39.2%	196	-3.6%
Arrest Reports Processed	134	183	-26.8%	122	9.8%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	1	11	-90.9%	4	-75.0%
Vehicle Impound Releases	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Visitors at Counter	207	54	283.3%	189	9.5%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	247	263	-6.1%	246	0.4%
Telephone Calls	980	1141	-14.1%	953	2.8%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	431	603	-28.5%	761	-43.4%
Warrants Entered	187	267	.30.0%	442	-57.7%
Warrants Cleared	470	315	49.2%	473	-0.6%
Warrants Validated	3241	1148	182.3%	2782	16.5%
Transports	18	39	-53.8%	22	-18.2%
Extraditions				1	

CONTRACT SERVICES

- March 2013, NCW had 3 contracts for a total of \$1477.40

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIO Meetings	Accident Response
289	11	29	1	6

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
54	267	7	26	5	21

Community service appearances:

- Trooper Allen delivered a 45-minute presentation to approximately 20 residents of the 5-Star Premium Senior Resort about NHP and the agency's involvement in the community on Thursday, March 14th
- Several DPS employees volunteered their time for the "Tip-a-Cop" fundraiser at Hard Rock Café at Stateline for Special Olympics Nevada on Friday evening, March 22nd
- Several members of the Department of Public Safety volunteered their time and raised nearly 5,000 dollars for the annual Polar Plunge® event at Zephyr Cove on March 23rd
- Trooper Allen attended the ceremony at Sam's Club in Reno where a local disabled resident received a new service dog sponsored by Milk-Bone, and Sam's Club
- Trooper Allen attended the career day at Virginia Palmer Elementary School in Sun Valley and spoke to 5 individual classes or a total of approximately 150 students

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

- Several NHP members, including Chief Troy Abney and Deputy Chief Brian Sanchez, attended the law enforcement recognition event and 2013 kick-off conference at J.A. Nugget in Sparks hosted by Special Olympics Nevada
- Trooper Allen taped a 30-minute segment at Lotus Radio discussing safety measures for St Patrick's Day revelers and the upcoming "Cops & Burgers" fundraiser
- Trooper Allen completed a traffic safety segment on Alice 96.5 concerning safety messages for St. Patrick's Day celebrations
- Trooper Allen attended the third annual "Doggie Palooza" event at the Nevada Humane Society

PIO Projects and Services:

- Trooper Allen and other back-up public information officers are delivering a total of 10 daily traffic reports on 107.3 FM, K-News, in Reno in the morning and afternoon time frames
- Trooper Allen continues to deliver the live daily traffic reports on KRNVTV at 6:34 each weekday morning
- The "New Homes for Pets" pet of the week is airing every Friday morning at 6:15 am on KRNVTV in Reno. In addition to a new pet being introduced to the community each week, traffic safety messages are being included into the feature.

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