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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 five special enforcement assignments. In addition, the area completed a total of 10,110 public contacts. Our region also provided 633 hours of training in support of the cadets at the Academy and in the NHP Advanced Academy. The US50 Project from Carson Street to Leeteville Junction continues with regular shifts and overtime shifts provided by the Office of Traffic Safety. The Joining Forces campaign of Back to School Safety also occurred this month.

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 one DRIVE class to a total of 32 students ranging in age from 15-17 years.

This month we experienced an 8.4% increase in overall traffic crashes when compared to the month of July 2013. Northern Command West officers handled 335 crashes in August. An overview of the crashes showed 229 were property damage, 104 were classified as injury crashes, and two were classified as fatal crashes. As compared to August of 2012, we experienced a 27.3% decrease in our regional commercial vehicle crashes at 24 for the month. In our overall August 2013 totals, intoxicated drivers were responsible for 16 crashes in the Northern Command West.

The officers in our command arrested 78 intoxicated drivers this month. The average blood alcohol level of those intoxicated drivers was 0.14%, over twice the legal limit of 0.08% blood alcohol content. The average age of the intoxicated driver was 35 years old and 0.17% had prior DUI convictions. Our officers arrested an additional 97 people on 402 various charges over the month of August. In other areas of enforcement, our officers wrote 3,125 speeding citations, 880 hazardous moving citations, and 294 seatbelt citations.

Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) training continues to ensure all sworn staff members are certified by the end of the calendar year.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	August 2013	August 2012	% Change	July 2013	% Change
Total crashes	335	350	-4.3%	309	8.4%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	229	237	-3.4%	212	8.0%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	104	109	-4.6%	96	8.3%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	2	4	-50.0%	3	-33.3%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	16	19	-15.8%	11	45.5%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	5	7	300.0%	5	
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0	3	-300.0%	1	-100.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1	4	-75.0%	0	100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0	1	-100.0%	2	-200.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0	3	-300.0%	2	-200.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	4	0	400.0%	0	400.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	24	33	-27.3%	25	-4.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	22	31	-29.0%	20	10.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	1	2	-50.0%	5	-80.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	1	0	100.0%	0	100.0%

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ✦ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.6%
- ✦ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 4.8%
- ✦ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 100.0%
- ✦ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 0.3%
- ✦ Total crashes decreased by 4.3% compared to last year.
- ✦ Commercial vehicle crashes decreased by 27.3% as compared to last year.
- ✦ Fatality crashes decreased by 50% as compared to last year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total Contacts - 9897

Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) – 213

TOTAL ENFORCEMENT / SPECIAL OPERATIONS:

CTM – US50 Project with regular shifts and Joining Forces. 2 Troopers were selected to be instructors in the Below 100 program.

RUT - Days- Tahoe Summit. 1 trooper was selected to be an instructor in the below 100 program.

Swing – Distracted Driving Enforcement SED

Graves – None

Rural – Outlaw Motorcycle Gang training. 1 trooper was selected to be an instructor in the below 100 program.

Trp. Gibson acted as the PIO for 2 weeks.

Commercial – Badge on Board August 21-23 and Passenger Carrier Strike August 26-31.

TOTAL ACADEMY TRAINING HOURS: 633 Hours

ICE – 0 hours

Command – 0 hours

MAIT/Training – 393 hours

RUT – 120

CTM- 120 hours

Rural- 0 hours

Commercial- 0 hours

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

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

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	August 2013	August 2012	% Change	July 2013	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	16	19	-15.8%	11	45.5%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	62	63	-1.6%	56	10.7%
Other arrests	402	396	1.5%	363	10.7%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	175	188	-6.9%	157	11.5%
Speed violations	3125	2683	16.5%	3160	-1.1%
Hazardous moving violations	880	1115	-21.1%	894	-1.6%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	294	324	-9.3%	313	-6.1%
Total violations [above violations included]	6729	6763	-0.5%	6692	0.6%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS					
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	196	36	444.4%	139	41.0%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	125	39	220.5%	72	73.6%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	709	1829	-61.2%	628	12.9%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	0	9	-900.0%	3	-300.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	205	210	-2.4%	147	39.5%
Total safety violations -- repair order	1707	2455	-30.5%	1514	12.7%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	97	112	-13.4%	81	19.8%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	50	69	-27.5%	53	-5.7%
Total school buses inspected	88	78	12.8%	20	340.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	22	21	4.8%	0	2200.0%
Total trucks weighed	34	1188	-97.1%	24	41.7%
Total overweight citations	8	15	-46.7%	3	166.7%
Total dyed fuel inspections	166	447	-62.9%	161	3.1%
Total dyed fuel citations	4	1	300.0%	1	300.0%

*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

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

DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ✱ Average BAC 0.14%
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests: 35years old
- ✱ 0.17% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	August 2013	August 2012	% Change	July 2013	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
CAD Incidents	12139	12730	-4.64%	12940	-0.06%
Telephone Calls	17469	19213	-9.08%	18210	-0.04%
Radio Transmissions	1790399	275820	549.12%	1075637	0.66%
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	297	277	7.2%	300	-1.0%
Arrest Reports Processed	121	135	-10.4%	144	-16.0%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	4	3	33.3%	5	-20.0%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	466	1361	-65.76%	463	-100.14%
Warrants Entered	393	677	-41.95%	344	-100.12%
Warrants Cleared	484	667	-27.44%	303	-100.09%
Warrants Validated	3003	5476	-45.16%	1609	-100.03%
Transports	25	28	-10.71%	18	-100.60%
Extraditions	1	0	100.0%	1	0.00%
CONTRACT SERVICES					
Total Contracts	2	10	-80.0%	7	-71.4%
Total Hours	81	889	-90.9%	70	15.7%
Total Billed	5559.10	15361.11	-63.8%	6188.73	-10.2%

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
207	12	28	1	4

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
15	257	3	40	4	36

Community service appearances:

- Nevada Highway Patrol-Northern Command West was well represented at the annual “National Night Out” event in Carson City hosted by the Carson City Sheriff’s Office
- Trooper Allen presented the “Nevada Highway Patrol’s Choice” award to a classic car owner at this year’s Hot August Night event

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

- Trooper Allen attended the National Information Officers Association annual conference in Clearwater, Florida. Several high profile case studies were presented and discussed which included the Sandy Hook school shooting, Aurora, Colorado theatre shooting and the Christopher Dorner manhunt.
- Trooper Allen completed several live interviews discussing traffic safety messages with the local television stations during the week of Hot August Nights

PIO Projects:

- Trooper Allen continues to provide daily traffic reports each morning on KRNV Channel 4 in Reno
- Trooper Allen is phoning in two live radio traffic reports on Nevada Matters radio show on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of each week
- Trooper Allen will be teaching a media class to the NHP watch commanders in September so that media inquiries can be handled more effectively and efficiently 7 days a week

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