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NORTHERN COMMAND WEST

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Nevada Highway Patrol

SAFESTAT REPORT

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Overview

For the month of April, the Northern Command West focused its enforcement efforts throughout the region. We had a total of 11,691 public contacts in the field for the region. The region also provided 162 hours of training in support of the cadets at the academy.

Northern Command West handled 284 traffic crashes for the month of April. Of those, 195 were property damage, 84 were injury, and 5 were fatal crashes. Total crashes increased from last year by 14.1%. We handled 12 commercial vehicle crashes which is a decrease from last year by 40%. In our overall totals for the month, intoxicated drivers were responsible for 19 crashes in the region which was a decrease from last year.

Northern Command West arrested 75 intoxicated drivers this month, which is a decrease from last year. The average blood alcohol level of those intoxicated drivers was 0.15%. Of those arrested for DUI, the average age was 35 years old and 10% had prior DUI convictions. Our officers arrested a total of 187 people for a total of 424 charges during the month of April. In other areas of enforcement, our officers issued 3256 speeding citations, 1,132 hazardous moving citations, and 323 seatbelt citations.

During the month of April, the Northern Command West conducted several directed enforcement assignments targeting the goals of the Strategic Highway Safety Plan and the NHP Strategic Plan. We conducted directed enforcement which focused on violations such as impaired driving, hazardous moving, speed enforcement, distracted driving, and seatbelt awareness. The region continued its effort to educate motorists and bicyclists on the laws related to both and ways to share the roadway. We are continuing to develop an enforcement plan for this program which will be implemented soon.

Northern Command West conducted four Traffic Incident Management (TIM) classes in April. We have six classes scheduled in May and four in June. Our goal is to have all our personnel trained and utilizing the T.I.M goals and concepts during an incident by the end of June.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	April 2014	April 2013	% Change	March 2013	% Change
Total crashes	284	249	14.1%	259	9.7%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	195	165	18.2%	177	10.2%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	84	78	7.7%	77	9.1%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	5	6	-16.7%	5	
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	19	21	-9.5%	15	26.7%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	6	6		6	
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	1	1		5	-80.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts		1	-100.0%	1	-100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	2	4	-50.0%		200.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	1		100.0%		100.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	2	1	100.0%		200.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	12	20	-40.0%	15	-20.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	8	17	-52.9%	12	-33.3%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	2	3	-33.3%	2	
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	2		200.0%	1	100.0%

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ✦ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 1.8%
- ✦ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 6.7%
- ✦ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 33.3%
- ✦ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 4.2%
- ✦ Total crashes increased by **14.1%** as compared to last year.
- ✦ Commercial vehicle crashes decreased by **40.0%** as compared to last year.
- ✦ Fatality crashes decreased by **16.7%** as compared to last year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total Patrol Contacts: 11,468
 Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE): 223

TOTAL ENFORCEMENT / SPECIAL OPERATIONS:

- **RUT:** Reno Urban Traffic conducted numerous directed enforcement operations focused on the goals of the SHSP and NHP Strategic Plan which resulted in over 500 violations issued. RUT continues to focus on bicycle safety operations by meeting with local bicycle groups and working with the Reno BPAC and NDOT on education through advertising. A second enforcement operation was conducted for bicycle enforcement in which 71 violations were observed.
- **CTM:** Carson Tahoe Minden conducted 51, 10 hour overtime shifts for coverage and targeted enforcement with efforts geared toward the SHSP, and the Highway Patrol Strategic Plan, focusing on Hazardous

moving violations, speed, D.U.I., seatbelts, and distracted driving. The increased enforcement resulted in 1868 total violations.

- **Rurals:** The Rural duty stations conducted several special enforcement assignments in the Fernley, Fallon, Hawthorne, and Tonopah areas targeting the goals outlined in the SHSP and the Highway Patrol Strategic Plan.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

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

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	April 2014	April 2013	% Change	March 2013	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	19	21	-9.5%	15	26.7%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	56	57	-1.8%	52	7.7%
Other arrests	349	430	-18.8%	321	8.7%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	187	168	11.3%	145	29.0%
Speed violations	3256	2405	35.4%	3008	8.2%
Hazardous moving violations	1132	882	28.3%	1171	-3.3%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	323	246	31.3%	430	-24.9%
Total violations [above violations included]	9169	5853	56.7%	8380	9.4%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS					
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	175	126	38.9%	45	288.9%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	124	91	36.3%	151	-17.9%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	960	816	17.6%	3	31900.0%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only		4	-400.0%		
Total safety violations -- citation	126	171	-26.3%	100	26.0%
Total safety violations -- repair order	1849	1633	13.2%	1280	44.5%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	88	83	6.0%	65	35.4%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	62	49	26.5%	50	24.0%
Total school buses inspected	71	98	-27.6%	1280	-94.5%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	7	6	16.7%		700.0%
Total trucks weighed	3446	18	19044.4%		344600.0%
Total overweight citations	9	10	-10.0%		900.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	462	249	85.5%	189	144.4%
Total dyed fuel citations		2	-200.0%	3	-300.0%

*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]	NCW OPS				
Level 2/3 Inspections	1				
Safety Violations Citation	2				
Safety Violations Repair Order					
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"					
Dyed Fuel Inspections					
Dyed Fuel Citations					

D.U.I. / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ✦ Average BAC: 0.15%
- ✦ Average age of DUI arrests: 35 years old
- ✦ 10% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions

TOTAL ACADEMY TRAINING HOURS: 162 Hours

RUT: 42 hours DPS Academy
 CTM: 120 hours DPS Academy
 Rural: 0 hours DPS Academy
 Commercial: 0 hours DPS Academy

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	April 2014	April 2013	% Change	March 2013	% Change
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	323	182	77.5%	297	8.8%
Arrest Reports Processed	176	160	10.0%	139	26.6%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	9	1	800.0%	13	-30.8%
Office Reports	4	4	0.0%	3	33.3%
Visitors at the Counter	393	162	142.6%	300	31.0%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	332	239	38.9%	303	9.6%
Total Telephone Calls	1061	877	21.0%	1019	4.1%
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
CAD Incidents	13961	11018	26.7%	11263	24.0%
Telephone Calls	13864	15463	-10.3%	11101	24.9%
Radio Transmissions	1839524	1408222	30.6%	1681133	9.4%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	572	517	10.6%	433	32.1%
Warrants Entered	368	412	-10.7%	319	15.4%
Warrants Cleared	449	370	21.4%	582	-22.9%
Warrants Validated	3170	517	513.2%	433	632.1%
Transports	4506	412	993.7%	319	1312.5%
Extraditions	5443	370	1371.1%	582	835.2%
CONTRACT SERVICES					
Total Contracts	1				
Total Hours	36.3				
Total Billed	\$3,219.24				

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
231	6	6	0	4

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
19	197	4	14	4	11

Additional Appearances, Events and Activities:

- Trooper Allen, Gibson and Garretson spoke at the Spanish Springs HS Driver's Ed Class.
- Trooper Gibson Participated in the Kids on Big Rigs Event at High Desert Montessori School.
- Troopers G. Moore and G. Bird participated in a kid's carnival event at the Smith Grocery Store in Lemmon Valley.
- Trooper Dan Gordon is continuing to deliver his traffic safety classes each month labeled DRIVE in our areas.

PIO Projects:

- We continue to provide daily traffic reports each morning on KRNV Channel 4 in Reno.
- Trooper Gibson is phoning in three live radio traffic reports on Nevada Matters radio during the work week.
- Preparing for the Special Olympic event on May 31st.
- Preparing for the Cops and Burgers Event May 17th.

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