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Media Advisory

Several Motorcycles to be Crashed as Part of the Advanced Collision Reconstruction Course

Nineteen Nevada law enforcement officers from several agencies around the Silver State are attending an advanced motorcycle collision investigation and reconstruction course in Reno this week. The class is being taught by two instructors from Northwestern University Center for Public Safety and the training for this course is being funded by grant monies secured by the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety.

The 40-hour course, taking place at the Public Safety Training Center in Reno, will include officers determining the speeds of several motorcycles that will be crashed on Thursday afternoon. The motorcycles being used for this training event are all unserviceable machines that were part of the fleet utilized in the *Nevada Rider Motorcycle Safety* program. The bikes range in age from 7-10 years old and have significant mechanical or cosmetic damage making them unsafe to ride or too costly to repair.

You are invited to see the motorcycles being crashed at various speeds in diverse ways by the course instructors tomorrow afternoon:

When: Thursday, August 25th
Where: Public Safety Training Center
Address: 5190 Spectrum Blvd in Reno
Time: 1:30 pm

The Nevada Rider Motorcycle Safety program was established in 1991 by the Nevada Legislature and placed within the Department of Public Safety and the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety. Beginning in 1993, the purpose of the program is to conduct quality rider training throughout Nevada and educate the other users of the road to the unique aspects of motorcycles and motorcycling. The program works closely with the Department's drivers license division, motorcycle clubs and groups, law enforcement, the media, the community college system, (which primarily conducts the rider training classes) and traffic safety professionals statewide. These groups work cooperatively to reduce the incidence of motorcycle crashes and fatalities.

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