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**CHP Joins Forces with NHP** 

On Friday, September 2, 2016, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) will again join forces with the Nevada Highway Patrol (NHP), Henderson Police Department and Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department to target the highly traveled Interstate 15 corridor between California and Las Vegas. This will be the third time the agencies have joined together and it will be the first time the California Highway Patrol will be hosting the event. The event will begin with a briefing at the new California Highway Patrol Mountain Pass Joint Point of Entry Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Facility (JPOE).

It is estimated that on a daily basis, an average of 45,000 vehicles enter Nevada on the Interstate 15 corridor from California, which equates to an average in excess of 16 million vehicles entering every year. The mission of the agencies is ensuring the safety of the motoring public during the start of the Labor Day weekend. This stretch of Interstate 15 is one of the busiest in the country and will see increased holiday traffic. With the collaborative efforts of the agencies we have managed to reduce the number of traffic collisions in this area through enforcement and education.

The agencies will focus their efforts on speed violations, the move over law, distracted driving, commercial enforcement, and seatbelt enforcement. In addition to enforcement, officers and troopers will be providing assistance to disabled motorists on the freeway. The California Highway Patrol will include the use of their fix winged aircraft that measures speed from the air. CHP and NHP will have Officers/Troopers available for ride-alongs with our media partners and a tour of the new JPOE will be made available. The JPOE is located at 100779 Bear Road in Nipton California, 92364. The event will take place on September 2, 2016 at 8:30 am. Please contact Public Information Officer Ryan Camara at 760-255-8706 or email rcamara@chp.ca.gov for more details.

