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### Media Advisory

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#### NHP joins forces with CHP Memorial Day Weekend

On Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> the Nevada Highway Patrol will be joining forces with the California Highway Patrol and other local agencies targeting the highly traveled interstate 15 corridor between California and Las Vegas. It is estimated that an average of 45,000 vehicles enter Nevada on the IR15 corridor from Los Angeles, California on a daily basis, which equates to an average in excess of 16 million vehicles entering every year. Memorial Day weekend is the kickoff to summer and the I15/Primm Corridor is expected to see a heavy flow of traffic, both northbound and southbound. It's estimated that the Memorial Day weekend could bring 330,000 visitors to the Las Vegas Valley. The goal of both agencies is the safety of our motoring public especially during this holiday weekend.

This stretch of interstate 15 was once considered one of the most deadly stretches of highway in the country. With the collaborative efforts of our two agencies we have managed to reduce the number of fatal crashes in this area through enforcement and education.

The two agencies will focus their efforts on speed infractions, the move over law and distracted driving violations. Commuters will be warned with the DMS electronic freeway signs which will flash the message "Move Over or Slow Down for Stopped Emergency Vehicles" as well as "Entering NHP Zero Tolerance Zone" as a reminder to be safe.

The California Highway Patrol will focus their efforts on the California side of Interstate 15 and will include the use of their fix winged aircraft that measures speed from the air.

NHP and CHP will have Troopers/Officers available for ride alongs.

We invite you, our local media partners to join us at the NHP Jean substation located off of interstate 15 at exit 12 in Jean, NV at 8:30am for the event briefing, interviews, and ride alongs.

For further information, you can contact either Trooper Chelsea Stuenkel at 702-469-3882 or Trooper Jason Buratczuk at 702-533-6808.

