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## Media Release

## **Zero Tolerance Zone Enforcement**

The Nevada Highway Patrol is starting the travel season by targeting the highly traveled interstate 15 corridor from Las Vegas to Primm, NV with a "Zero Tolerance" enforcement wave. 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.

Starting April 17th, 2015, the Nevada Highway Patrol will crack down on all traffic violations in an attempt to reduce fatalities and injuries due to collisions from California state line to Las Vegas. The goal is to educate commuters on the most dangerous and collision causing violations on this stretch of highway. Troopers will be focusing on the move over law, speeding, and distracted driving. 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.

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 10:30am for the event briefing, interviews, and ride alongs. You can contact Trooper L. Hixson at 702-533-6808 or Trooper C. Stuenkel at 702-469-3882 for further information.

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