



MEMORANDUM
PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
CLARENCE W. DUPNIK, SHERIFF

Date: August 26, 2005
To: Concerned Personnel
From: Sgt. K. Woolridge, Traffic
Re: Checkpoint Assignments

Congratulations and thank you for your assistance in the upcoming Pima County Sheriff's Department DUI Checkpoint. Deputies selected to work this operation were handpicked based on their expertise in the area of traffic investigations, their professionalism, and their commitment to the reduction of the carnage caused by impaired motorists on Pima County roadways.

The checkpoint has been funded by the Governor's Office of Highway Safety. All personnel working this operation should coordinate their schedules (with supervisor's approval) to insure that this operation will be worked for overtime. TAF's will be completed at the briefing. Center number for the TAF's is 8752102. Talk Group for operation is Safe 1.

The briefing information is as follows:

Location: Pima County Sheriff's Department Training Center, 1300 W. Silverlake (behind the Main Jail)
Date: September 3, 2005
Time: 2000 hours

The checkpoint location will be announced at the briefing. Please bring your patrol car and necessary paperwork and equipment with you. Adequate parking will be provided at the checkpoint site. Uniform attire will be class "C," long or short sleeve shirts, with reflective traffic vest. Please be prepared for inclimate weather.

I have enclosed a copy of the Pima County Sheriff's Department Sobriety Checkpoint Guidelines. Please review these before the checkpoint date. The success of these checkpoints, both operationally and legally, is based on our adherence to these guidelines. Many of these procedures will be reviewed again at the checkpoint briefing, but your knowledge of these procedures is critical to the success of the operation.

Checkpoint schedule:

Briefing:	2000	Southern Arizona DUI Task Force Briefing
	2030	Pima County Sheriff's Department Checkpoint Briefing
	2100	Site setup commences
	2130	Personnel on station and assembling
	2200	Checkpoint commences and underway
	0200-0300	Closure of checkpoint followed by tear down

Assignments:

Checkpoint Supervisor	Sgt. K. [REDACTED]	858	158	[REDACTED]	D
Directional Supervisor	Sgt. D. [REDACTED]	860	173	[REDACTED]	D
Directional Supervisor	Sgt. W. [REDACTED]	833	174	[REDACTED]	

Command Center

Admin Deputy-	Deputy D. [REDACTED]	1258	707	[REDACTED]	D/P
Phlebotomist-	Deputy P. [REDACTED]	733	401		P
K9	Deputy [REDACTED]	1127	597		
Admin Support	PSSS [REDACTED]	4339			

Northbound- Sgt. W. Murphy

Contact-	Deputy J. [REDACTED]	1052	541	D/P
Contact-	Deputy K. [REDACTED]	1288	726	D/P
Contact-	Deputy E. [REDACTED]	1154	613	D/P
Contact-	Deputy C. [REDACTED]	1286	714	D/P
Contact-	Deputy T. [REDACTED]	1177	651	P
Contact-	Deputy K. [REDACTED]	4745	865	P
Contact-	Deputy J. [REDACTED]	894	503	D
Investigations-	Deputy N. [REDACTED]	1446	841	P/S
Investigations-	Deputy M. [REDACTED]	1049	540	P/S/D
Chase-	Deputy R. [REDACTED]	1425	813	P
Chase-	Deputy B. [REDACTED]	1159	639	D
Transport-	Deputy D. [REDACTED]	1398	810	

Southbound- Sgt. D. Theel

Contact-	Deputy E. [REDACTED]	1339	765	P/D
Contact-	Deputy J. [REDACTED]	1349	771	P/D
Contact-	Deputy J. [REDACTED]	1393	799	P
Contact-	Deputy J. [REDACTED]	1476	876	
Contact-	Deputy D. [REDACTED]	1022	519	
Contact-	Deputy K. [REDACTED]	1283	722	P
Contact-	Deputy M. [REDACTED]	1457	848	P/D
Investigations-	Deputy J. [REDACTED]	894	503	D
Investigations-	Deputy A. [REDACTED]	1384	778	S/P/D
Chase-	Deputy R. [REDACTED]	1242	695	P/D
Chase-	Deputy M. [REDACTED]	1193	637	P
Transport-	Deputy M. [REDACTED]	1298	738	P

S- Spanish speaker
P- Phlebotomist
D- DRE

Deputies 27
Sergeants 3
PSSS- 1

Pima County Sheriff's Department

Sobriety Checkpoint "Delta"



Pima County DUI Facts

- PCSD Fatals
 - 2004 : 31 collisions, 34 dead
 - 2004: 18 dead in alcohol/ drug related crashes
 - 2005: 26 collisions, 32 dead including a Deputy Sheriff
 - 2005: 15+ dead in alcohol/ drug related crashes

Sobriety Checkpoints

- Why?- Impaired drivers can be on the road 772 times before being caught (NHTSA)
- Nationally- alcohol related traffic fatalities fell from 60+% in 1982 to 40% in 1997
- These fatalities have reached a plateau and have remained 40-41% from 1997-2004

Checkpoint Effectiveness

- Highly publicized California Saturation Patrols reduced alcohol related crashes 17%
- California Sobriety Checkpoints in four communities reduced alcohol related crashes by 28 %
- 1995

Sobriety Checkpoints

- Surveys indicate 75% of Americans favor the use of sobriety checkpoints as a law enforcement tool
- IACP, MADD, NHTSA and many other agencies favor their use
- This operation is funded by a grant from the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety

Concerns

- Traffic Jams and Delays- the goal of the checkpoint is to be no more intrusive than a traffic signal (about 2.5 minutes)
- Fair, Firm application of DUI laws while promoting safety on Pima County Roadways

Checkpoint Location

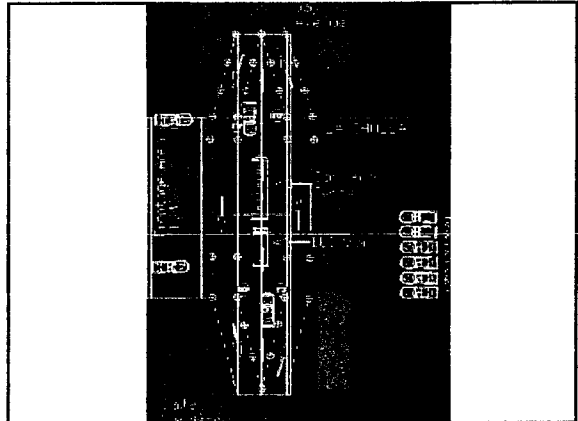
- La Cholla Boulevard
- Between River and Ruthrauff
- North end of checkpoint is Jay Avenue
- South end is Calle Narcisco

Checkpoint Timeline

- 2000 hours DUI Task Force Briefing
- 2030 hours PCSD Briefing
- 2100 hours Site setup commences
- 2130 hours PCSD personnel on station
- 2200 hours Checkpoint commences and is operational
- 0200-0300 hours Checkpoint closure and tear down

TAF's/ Payroll

- Separate TAF
- Center Number 8752102
- OT code is "12.00 DUI Checkpoint"
- Turn in to your supervisor at briefing



Logistics

- Parking- east shoulder, backed in against the fenceline: orderly manner!
- SFST area: paved frontage road on west side of checkpoint
- Restrooms: Command Center

Assignments

- Operational Supervisor:
Sgt. Karl Woolridge, Traffic
- Northbound Supervisor:
Sgt. Bill Murphy, Economic Crime Unit
- Southbound Supervisor:
Sgt. David Theel, Motor/ DUI

Administrative

Admin Deputy/ Initial Case:

Deputy Doug Hanna, Traffic

Admin Support:

PSSS Richard Hockaday, Traffic

Phlebotomist:

Deputy Phil Cutler, Motors

Canine:

Deputy Paul Hill, K9

Point Control

- SAV's
- Command Center
- DUI Van
- 2 fully marked PCSD patrol cars
- "Trafficade"- lane closures and channeling

Northbound: Sgt. Murphy

Contact

- Copfer, Traffic
- Gardner, Traffic
- Curtin, Traffic
- Manoleas, Traffic
- Stevens, Air Unit
- Othic, San Xavier
- Janes, Safe Streets

Investigations

- Phaneuf, DUI
- Bustamante, Traffic

Chase

- Aguirre, Motors
- Davis, Motors

Transport

- Sutton, San Xavier

Southbound: Sgt. Theel

Contact

- Heath, DUI
- Korza, San Xavier
- Copeland, San Xavier
- Bret, Foothills
- Lynn, Foothills
- Lopex, San Xavier
- Slocum, Safe Streets

Investigations

- Arizpuru, Motors
- Dowdy, DUI

Chase

- Bugelwicz, Motors
- Knipp, Foothills

Transport

- O'Dell, Foothills

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING

- Explain the purpose of the sobriety checkpoint. The purpose of these checkpoints is to aid the Pima County Sheriff's Department in detecting and deterring impaired drivers while causing minimal inconvenience and detention to the motoring public. The real value of its ability to deter the impaired driver is a checkpoint where no impaired drivers are detected.
- Discuss the location chosen for the checkpoint and the statistical data supporting the location.
- Assign a Supervisor to the Sobriety Checkpoint operation to supervise the on-scene enforcement activities. The Supervisor will remain at the location for the duration of the operation.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING

- Traffic control devices and personnel will be placed in conformance with the site map approved by Pima County Department of Transportation or Pima County Sheriff Department Sobriety checkpoint guidelines.
- Instruct the Deputies to explain the purpose of the checkpoint upon approaching a vehicle. Each motorist should be advised that he/she has been stopped at a sobriety checkpoint established to identify impaired drivers.
- A Sobriety Checkpoint pamphlet/questionnaire should be given to each motorist during the stop.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT **BRIEFING**

- The following question/statement shall be made upon approaching a vehicle:
- "Good evening, this is a Sobriety Checkpoint aimed at deterring impaired driving. Have you consumed any alcohol and/or drugs today?"
- If the answer is no and there is no compelling reason to detain the vehicle, hand the driver a pamphlet and state, "This brochure explains the Sobriety Checkpoint program. Please look it over at your leisure."
- If the answer is yes, ask how much and when. At this point, depending on the answers and other circumstances, the attending Deputy should consider if further investigation is warranted. If so, direct the driver to the nearby staging area to continue the investigation. If not, give the driver a brochure and advise them they are free to go.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT **BRIEFING**

- Instruct the Deputies to visually inspect the driver for red, watery bloodshot eyes; abnormal complexion, vomit, urine or excrement on clothing; or other telltale signs of possible intoxication/impairment familiar to the Deputy. Inspection of the passengers, interior and exterior of the vehicle will also be made. Deputies should observe the driver's breath and look for plain view narcotics, narcotic paraphernalia, and alcoholic beverage containers
- The use of artificial light for the inspection of the vehicle's interior and its occupants is legally permissible.
- Unless the Deputy observes evidence of impairment, or there is evidence of a more serious violation, the motorist should be allowed to proceed on their way.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT **BRIEFING**

- A search of the vehicle, or passengers, should be conducted upon probable cause or incident to arrest only.
- A motorist who chooses to avoid the checkpoint should be allowed to proceed unless traffic violations are observed or probable cause exists to take other action. The mere act of avoiding a checkpoint will not constitute grounds for a stop.
- Drivers who refuse to roll down their windows in order to avoid contact with a law enforcement officer will be waived through and may be followed by an observation car unless reasonable suspicion/ probable cause exists to further the investigation.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT **BRIEFING**

- A systematic approach to stopping vehicles will be established. Either all vehicles will be stopped or a method will be utilized that does not involve random stops at the Deputy's discretion. It will be the on-scene supervisor's responsibility to make a change in the systematic sequence of vehicles stopped if the traffic pattern necessitates a change.
- An Incident Report will be completed for each Sobriety Checkpoint deployment, including the number of vehicles stopped, number of DUI arrests made, as well as any other violations, which are observed and charged.