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Press Release

DATE and TIME of INCIDENT:: May 5, 2011, 1800-2400 hrs

TYPE OF EVENT: DUI Saturation Patrol

LOCATION: City of Ridgecrest

Cinco de Mayo has become a traditional time for many to celebrate California's rich cultural history. Unfortunately it is also a night out with expected dangers when someone chooses to drink alcohol and drive.

The Ridgecrest Police Department Traffic Unit will have several officers patrolling the streets of Ridgecrest searching for DUI drivers starting Thursday night, May 5th at 6 pm.

RPD officers will be patrolling the City of Ridgecrest with the specific goal of stopping impaired drivers. These officers will be stopping vehicles and checking the drivers for signs of intoxication, conducting field sobriety tests and arresting those who are intoxicated.

The Ridgecrest Police Department encourages you to celebrate responsibly by designating a sober driver and to call 911 if you see an impaired driver.

This enforcement effort is funded by a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

RON STRAND, Chief of Police

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