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RONALD N. STRAND, Chief of Police

Press Release

DATE OF EVENT: April 14, 2014

TYPE OF EVENT: Parole/ Probation Compliance Check

LOCATION: City of Ridgecrest and surrounding areas in Kern County

On April 14, 2014, the Ridgecrest Police Department conducted a compliance check on subjects who are on active Parole, Probation or Post Release Community Supervision (Ab109) living within the City of Ridgecrest and surrounding areas (Buttermilk Acres and Inyokern). Several of the subjects had active warrants for their arrest. The primary goal of the compliance check was to deter criminal activity in the Indian Wells Valley.

The operation was comprised of approximately 15 law enforcement officers from the following agencies

-McFarland Police Department
-Shafter Police Department

-Kern County Probation Department
-California City Police Department

The Ridgecrest Police Department's P.A.C.T. Volunteers assisted in the operation by providing logistic support.

During the operation, approximately 31 searches were conducted resulting in 16 arrests for various violations.

-Richard Caine –	H&S 11550(a)- Under the Influence of Controlled substance PC 1203.2(a)- Felony Probation Violation
-Ryan Whitley-	H&S 11350(a)- Possession of Narcotic Controlled Substance H&S 11364.1- Paraphernalia
-Janice Vaifoou-	H&S 11364.1- Paraphernalia
-Steven Deleon-	H&S 11364.1- Paraphernalia
-Joshua Berger-	Misdemeanor Warrant
-Dustin Leek-	H&S 11364.1- Paraphernalia
-Kirsten Erickson-	H&S 11364.1- Paraphernalia

-Peter Augon- Pc 849(b)- Released from Custody
-Trena King- H&S 11550(a)- Resist/Delay Peace Officer
-Ariana Sullivan- H&S 11550(a)- Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance.
-Jennifer Williams- H&S 11550(a)- Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance
-Timothy Conner- H&S 11364.1-Paraphernalia
PC 1203.2(a)- Felony Probation Violation
-Ty Perez-Bauer- H&S 11550(a)- Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance
-Steven Zukaitis- PC 148(a)(1)- Resist/Delay Peace Officer and 3 Misdemeanor Warrants
-Deanna Herrmann- PC 148(a)(1)- Resist/Delay Peace Officer

The Ridgecrest Police Department would like to thank all the agencies for their participation in this operation.

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