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Pima County Sheriff's Department Sobriety Checkpoint



130315001
Ina Road/Camino De Fosforo
Pima County, AZ

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Sobriety Checkpoint Statistical Form

CASE NUMBER: 130315001

Date and time of operation: Friday, March 15, 2013 1930-0330

Location of Checkpoint: Ina Road/Camino De Fosforo

Start Time	<u>2130</u>	End Time	<u>2355</u>	Number of Deputies	<u>19</u>	<u>PCSD</u>
Number of Supervisors	<u>3</u>	<u>(2PCSD/1OVPD)</u>			<u>5</u>	<u>OVPD</u>
Vehicles Stopped	<u>1129</u>				<u>2</u>	<u>SPD</u>
DUI Investigations	<u>20</u>				<u>26</u>	
Number of DUI arrests	<u>4</u>					
Other arrests (specify)	<u>2</u>	<u>(LIQ LAW/C-181)</u>				
Estimated waiting period (high and low)	<u>2 min</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>∅</u>			
Estimated contact time	<u>25-35 sec.</u>					

COMPLETE ONLY IF ALTERNATE SYSTEMATIC VEHICLE SCREENING METHOD IS USED

- ~~1. Start time _____ End time _____
Method used _____~~
- ~~2. Start time _____ End time _____
Method used _____~~
- ~~3. Start time _____ End time _____
Method used _____~~



Pima County Sheriff's Department

Detail Incident Report for 130315001

Nature: DUI DEPLOYMENT

Address: 1750 E BENSON HWY; 4200S

Location: City of Tucson

Tucson AZ 85714

Offense Codes: 6101

Received By: Dowdy,JasonC

How Received: On-Site

Agency: PCSD

Responding Officers: Dowdy,JasonC

Responsible Officers: Dowdy,JasonC

Disposition: Active 03/04/13

When Reported: 13:26:46 03/04/13

Occurred Between: 13:26:46 03/04/13 and 13:26:46 03/04/13

NARRATIVE:

Initial Case Typed By J. C. Dowdy #1349 in Supp. 1

Assigned To:

Detail:

Date Assigned: **/**/**

Status:

Status Date: **/**/**

Due Date: **/**/**

Case History:

INVOLVEMENTS:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
lwmain	130315317	03/16/13	C/U CASE
lwmain	130315327	03/16/13	C/U CASE
lwmain	130315329	03/16/13	C/U CASE
lwmain	130315347	03/16/13	C/U CASE
lwmain	130316018	03/16/13	C/U CASE
lwmain	130316019	03/16/13	C/U CASE
lwmain	130316043	03/16/13	C/U CASE

SUPPLEMENTAL NARRATIVE: (LWSUPL: Supplement Nbr. 1)

Name: Dowdy,JasonC

Date: 00:26:42 03/16/13

00:26:42 03/16/2013 - Dowdy,JasonC

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On 03/15/13, a Sobriety Checkpoint was conducted at the intersection of Ina Road and Camino De Fosforo in the Pima County Sheriff's Department (PCSD) Foothills District.

Sergeant J. C. Dowdy #1349 of the DUI Unit planned the operation and conducted an informational briefing for personnel participating in the deployment. The briefing took place at the Tucson Police Department (TPD) West police station. Operational information was delivered by Sergeant Dowdy via Power Point to personnel who were participating in the checkpoint deployment. Once all personnel were given their assignments and submitted their briefing checklists they travelled to the checkpoint location for set-up.

The checkpoint became operational at approximately 2130 hours and ended at 2355 hours.

During that time, a total of 1129 vehicles passed through the Sobriety Checkpoint. There were twenty subjects directed to perform field sobriety tests (FST). There were four arrests made at the checkpoint for DUI offenses.

After the checkpoint concluded, saturation patrol was conducted in the Foothills, San Xavier and Rincon Patrol Districts.

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End of SUPPLEMENTAL NARRATIVE: (LWSUPL: Supplement Nbr. 1)



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

Date: March 4, 2013

To: Lieutenant L. Sacco, Commander, Special Operations

From: Sergeant J. Dowdy, Supervisor, D.U.I. Unit *Jed*

Re: **Approval for Sobriety Checkpoint: March 15, 2013**

I respectfully request authorization pursuant Pima County Sheriff's Department Sobriety Checkpoint guidelines to conduct a Sobriety Checkpoint as follows:

Location: Ina Road/Camino De Fosforo
Date: March 15, 2013
Hours of Operation: 1930 - 0330
Projected Manpower: PCSD: 18 Deputies/3 Sergeants

This checkpoint will focus on traffic traveling east and west on Ina Road in the Foothills District. This location has been identified for DUI enforcement by its propensity and history of alcohol related arrests and collisions. This operation will be staffed by personnel from the Pima County Sheriff's Department's Special Operations Section and Patrol Division. Oro Valley Police Department may also participate. The deployment will consist of a sobriety checkpoint followed by saturation patrol.

Pima County Sheriff's Department supervisors will be on site as follows:

Checkpoint Commander: District and Force Commanders notified

Operations Supervisor: Sergeant Dowdy

Approved

Lt. L. Sacco, Special Operations Commander

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Date

03/04/13
14:29

Pima County Sheriff's Department
Law Total Incident, by Agency, Most serious Offenses

Page: 1349
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Offense	Total Incidents

Agency: Oro Valley Police Department	
2102 DUI PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENT	1
2104 DUI NON ACCIDENT	101
2202 LIQUOR LAWS MINOR IN POSESSION	7
2204 LIQUOR LAWS OTHER	4

Total Incidents for This Agency:	113
Agency: Pima County Sheriff's Dept.	
2101 DUI FATAL ACCIDENT	2
2102 DUI PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENT	8
2103 DUI PROPERTY DMG ONLY ACCIDENT	29
2104 DUI NON ACCIDENT	205
2202 LIQUOR LAWS MINOR IN POSESSION	21
2203 LIQUOR LAWS DRINKING IN PUBLIC	22
2204 LIQUOR LAWS OTHER	13
6001 ASSIST OTHER MUNICIPAL AGENCY	1

Total Incidents for This Agency:	301
Total Incidents for This Report:	414

Report includes:

All dates between `00:00:00 03/15/09` and `00:00:00 03/15/13`
All agencies
All natures
All locations between `F2` and `F2`
All responsible officers
All dispositions
All clearance codes
All observed offenses between `2101` and `2204`
All reported offenses
All offense codes
All circumstance codes

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MEMORANDUM

PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

CLARENCE W. DUPNIK, SHERIFF

Date: March 5, 2013

To: Concerned Personnel

From: Sgt. Jason Dowdy, D.U.I. Unit Supervisor

Re: Checkpoint Operation: 130315001

In furtherance of our ongoing efforts to reduce impaired driving on Pima County roadways, the Pima County Sheriff's Department will be conducting a sobriety checkpoint on March 15, 2013.

Personnel selected to work this operation were selected based on their expertise in the area of traffic investigations, their professionalism, and their commitment to the reduction of carnage caused by impaired motorists on Pima County roadways.

Briefing information is as follows:

Location: 1310 W Miracle Mile (Tucson Police Department)

Date: Friday, March 15, 2013

Time: 2000 Hours

Personnel shall bring a patrol vehicle, reflective vest, flashlight, necessary paperwork, and equipment. Adequate parking will be located in the vicinity of the checkpoint. Uniform attire will be class "C" long or short sleeve shirt. Personnel must be prepared for inclement weather.

Personnel selected for this assignment shall be familiar with the Pima County Sheriff's Department Sobriety Checkpoint Guidelines. The success of these operations, both legally and operationally, is based on adherence to these guidelines. Many of these procedures will be reviewed again at the checkpoint briefing, but individual knowledge of these procedures is critical to the success of the operation.

Checkpoint Schedule:

1930 hours 10-41
2000 hours Briefing @ TPD Miracle Mile
2045 hours Travel to site
2100 hours Site setup commences
2130 hours Checkpoint commences
2400 hours Completion and teardown
0030 hours Saturation patrol
0330 hours Secure (10-42)

Sobriety Checkpoint Assignments
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Checkpoint Commander: District and Force Commander notified

Checkpoint Supervisor: Sergeant Dowdy

Phlebotomist Deputy: Deputy Enderle

Sign Placement: Deputies Enderle, Bernstein, Rodriguez, and Velasco

Checkpoint Set-up: Deputy Harris

Cones: Deputies Nunez, Nice, Phaneuf, Lynn, Villanueva, and Heath

Eastbound: Sgt. Manoleas

Contact

- Deputy Nice
- Deputy Murray
- Deputy Lynn
- Deputy Phaneuf
- Deputy Villanueva
- Deputy Van Santen
- ~~Deputy Gil~~
- Deputy Heath
- Deputy Curtin

Chase (East side of checkpoint)

- 587 ■ Deputy Bernstein
- 626 ■ Deputy Rodriguez
- 608 ■ Deputy Velasco

Westbound: Sgt. Sickelbower (OVPD)

Contact

- Deputy Roher (SPD) OFCR. STEELE SP239
- Deputy Carlson (SPD) OFCR. PACK SP246
- Deputy Nunez
- Deputy LaFontain DEPUTY HARRIS
- Deputy Castro
- Deputy Doran
- Officer ??? (OVPD) → V222 SNYDER
- Officer ??? (OVPD) → V79 EMIDY
- ~~Officer ??? (OVPD)~~

Chase (West side of checkpoint)

- Officer ??? (OVPD Motor) - V212 BROWN
- Officer ??? (OVPD Motor) - V234 GUERRERO
- ~~Deputy Carlson (OVPD)~~ - V213 KLEINBERG



Pima County Sheriff's Department

MEDIA RELEASE

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St. Patrick's Day Sobriety Checkpoint March 14, 2013

As St. Patrick's Day approaches, the Pima County Sheriff's Department is reminding drivers not to get behind the wheel if they've been drinking. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports over 700 people were killed nationwide in crashes involving a drunk driver during the St. Patrick's Day holiday from 2006 to 2010.

"When you are gathering with friends at the local bar or at someone's home, if alcohol is part of the festivities, make sure you designate a sober driver to get you home safely, or contact your local sober ride program for a safe ride home," said Sergeant Jason Dowdy, supervisor of the Sheriff's DUI Unit.

According to NHTSA, on average, every 51 minutes a person is killed in a drunk-driving crash in the United States and the majority of these crashes involve drunk drivers who have blood alcohol concentrations of .15 grams per deciliter or higher, almost twice the legal limit of .08 g/dL.

To prevent these tragedies from occurring, the Pima County Sheriff's Department recommends the following steps to have a safe and happy St. Patrick's Day:

- Plan a safe way home before the festivities begin.
- Before drinking, designate a sober driver and leave your car keys at home.
- If you're impaired, use a taxi, call a sober friend or family member, or use public transportation to get home safely.
- If you see a drunk driver on the road, contact local police.
- And remember, if you know people who are about to drive or ride while impaired, take their keys and help them make other arrangements to get to where they are going safely.

The Sheriff's Department will have a sobriety checkpoint active on **Friday, March 15, 2013.**



This media release along with additional information including available photos, videos, etc. can be seen on our website and Facebook page at pimasheriff.org.

Pima County Sheriff's Department

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Jason C. Dowdy

From: Thomas Peine
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2013 3:02 PM
To: Thomas Peine
Subject: Sobriety Checkpoint Location 03/15/13

This information is not intended for public dissemination! It is for your information only.

Checkpoint Location: Ina Road/Camino De Fosforo (East of 1st Avenue)

Checkpoint Schedule:

2045 hours Travel to site
2100 hours Site setup commences
2130 hours Checkpoint commences
2400 hours Completion and teardown
0030 hours Saturation patrol

Please call 520-237-3740 if you have any questions.



Deputy Tom Peine
Public Information Officer
Pima County Sheriff's Department
(520) 351-6524 (office)
(520) 237-3740 (24/7 PIO Hotline)



Pima County Sheriff's Department



Sobriety Checkpoint
March 15, 2013

Ina Road/ Camino De Fosforo
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➤ Cost Center: 8752247
• List hours (ex 1930-0330)

PCSD Fatal Statistics

2004

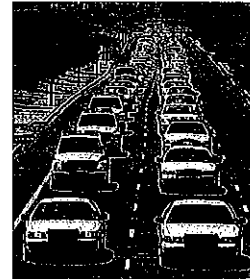
- 31 collisions, 34 dead
- 18 dead in alcohol/ drug related crashes

2005

- 41 collisions, 48 dead including a Deputy Sheriff
- 21 dead in alcohol/ drug related crashes

2006

- 42 collisions, 50 dead including two drunk mothers crashing and killing a child.



PCSD Fatal Statistics

2007

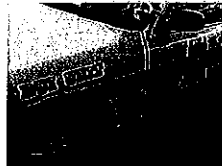
- 31 collisions, 35 dead
- 11 Alcohol related
- 27% decrease from previous year (2006)

2008

- 39 collisions, 30 dead
- 18 alcohol and/or Drug related
- 9 prosecutable

2009

- 31 fatal collisions
- 11 involved alcohol and/or drugs



PCSD Fatal Statistics

2010

- 18 fatal collisions.
- 14 Involved alcohol and/or drugs.
- Fatalities down 42% from previous year (31 in 2009)
- Percentage involving alcohol and/or drugs increased.

2011

- 17 fatal collisions, lowest since 1999
- 14 collisions involved alcohol and/or drugs present in the driver, victim, or both. (82%)

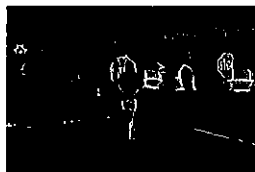
2012

- 36 fatal collisions.
- Toxicology reports pending.
- Available results indicate 17 were alcohol or alcohol and drug related.



Sobriety Checkpoints

- Why conduct sobriety checkpoints? – Because impaired drivers can be on the road 772 times before being caught (NHTSA)
 - Sobriety checkpoints increase the likelihood of deterring DUI and/or catching violators.
- Nationally - alcohol related traffic fatalities fell from 60% in 1982 to 40% in 1997
- These fatalities have reached a plateau and remain 40 - 41% (based upon statistics gathered from 1997-2004)

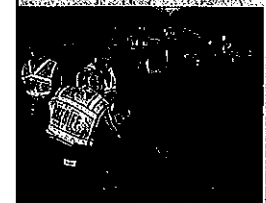


Checkpoint Effectiveness

Saturation Patrols
vs.
Sobriety Checkpoint Operations

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

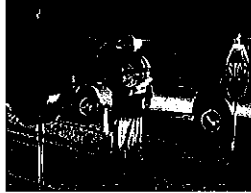
**DUI checkpoints work;
deaths, citations down**



saturation patrols not enough, officers say

Sobriety Checkpoints

- > Surveys indicate 75% of Americans favor the use of sobriety checkpoints as a law enforcement tool
- > IACP, MADD, DOHS, NHTSA and many other agencies favor their use
- > This operation is targeted toward the continued amount of DUI incidents in this area and anyone driving impaired.



Suspect in 1978 murder arrested at sobriety checkpoint

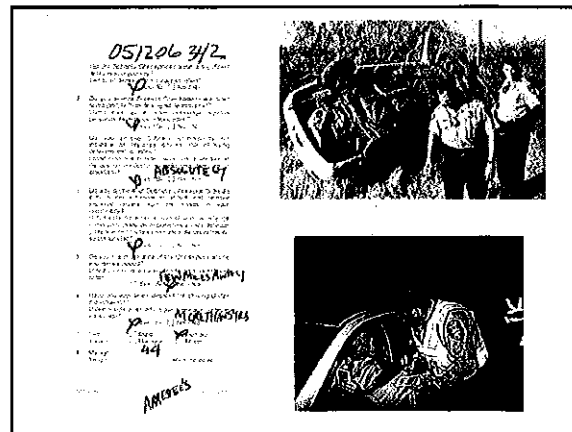
BY COURTNEY FLYNN
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO - The arrest of a man at a routine sobriety checkpoint this week in California turned out to be anything but ordinary after police discovered he was wanted in a nearly 30-year-old murder in Chicago.

Francisco Sandoval, who had been living under the name Leonel Sanchez Valencia in El Monte, Calif., was arrested Monday on suspicion of driving under the influence and when police ran his fingerprints, they found an arrest warrant.

PCSD Checkpoint Results

- > 214 Sobriety Checkpoints conducted
- > 26 Phantom Checkpoints conducted
- > 153,048 Vehicles Stopped
- > 2110 Field Sobriety Tests
- > 620 DUI arrests
- > 489 Other arrests



Results through 12/31/2012

- > Did the Sobriety Checkpoint cause a significant delay in your journey?
Yes: 7%
No: 93%
- > Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints will deter some people from driving while impaired?
Yes: 86%
No: 14%

Results through 12/31/2012

- > Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints will increase an impaired driver's risk of being detected and arrested?
Yes: 94%
No: 6%
- > Do you approve of Sobriety Checkpoints as an enforcement measure to detect and remove impaired drivers from the roads in your community?
Yes: 93%
No: 7%

Results through 12/31/2012

- Do you live in the area of the Checkpoint where you were stopped?
 - Yes: 57%
 - No: 43%
- Have you ever been arrested for Driving While Intoxicated?
 - Yes: 5%
 - No: 95%

Results through 12/31/2012

- I am male/ female.
 - Male: 49%
 - Female: 51%
- My age is _____.
 - Average: 60



<p>1. Do you approve of Sobriety Checkpoints as a way to reduce DUI fatalities?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>2. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints will deter people from drinking and driving?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints are a fair application of DUI laws?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4. Do you approve of Sobriety Checkpoints as an enforcement measure to reduce DUI fatalities?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>5. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints are a fair application of DUI laws?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>6. Have you ever been arrested for Driving While Intoxicated?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>1. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints are a fair application of DUI laws?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>2. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints will deter people from drinking and driving?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints are a fair application of DUI laws?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4. Do you approve of Sobriety Checkpoints as an enforcement measure to reduce DUI fatalities?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>5. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints are a fair application of DUI laws?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>6. Have you ever been arrested for Driving While Intoxicated?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>1. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints are a fair application of DUI laws?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>2. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints will deter people from drinking and driving?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints are a fair application of DUI laws?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4. Do you approve of Sobriety Checkpoints as an enforcement measure to reduce DUI fatalities?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>5. Do you believe Sobriety Checkpoints are a fair application of DUI laws?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>6. Have you ever been arrested for Driving While Intoxicated?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
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Concerns

- Traffic Jams and Delays- the goal of the checkpoint is to be no more intrusive than a traffic signal (about 2.5 minutes).
- Average has been less than 30 seconds.
- Fair, Firm application of DUI laws while deterring impaired driving and promoting safety on Pima County Roadways.



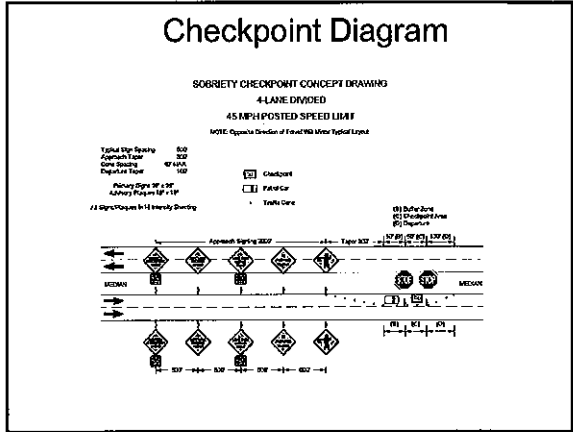
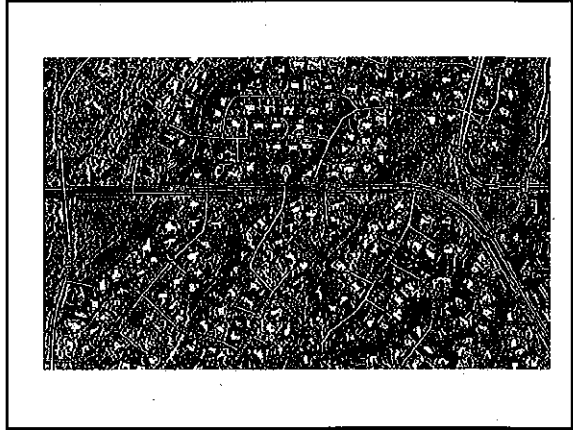
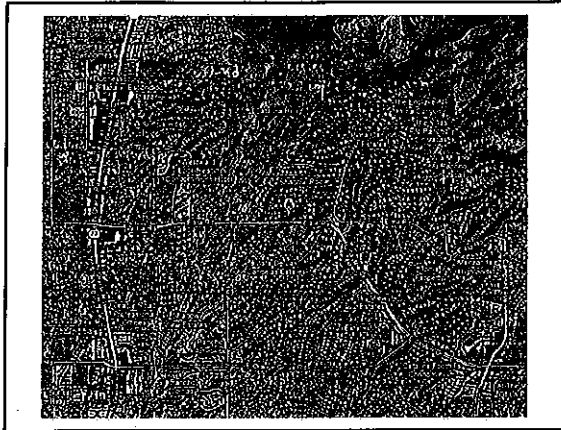
Checkpoint Location

- Ina Road/Camino De Fosforo
- Since 2009, in Foothills District Beat 2 there have been:
 - 2 DUI fatal collisions
 - 9 injury DUI wrecks
 - 29 Property DUI wrecks
 - 306 DUI's
 - 67 Liquor Law violations



Checkpoint Timeline

- 2000 hours Briefing
- 2045 hours Travel to Site
- 2100 hours Site setup
- 2130 hours Checkpoint Commences
- 2400 hours Teardown



Logistics

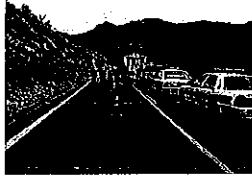
- Parking - In approach areas, rear deck lights only.
- SFST area: In median contact area.
- Cars will be pulled outside coned off departure area.
- Restrooms: Command Center

Assignments

- Operational Commander:
 - District and Force Commander notified
- Admin Sergeant:
 - Sergeant Dowdy

Point Control

- SAV/AZ Rangers
- Command Center
- DUI Van
- Lane closures and channeling
- Fully marked PCSD Patrol Vehicles



Sign Placement & Pickup:

- PCSD DUI Van: Deputy Enderle
- Phlebotomist: Deputy Enderle
- Sign Placement: Deputies Enderle, Bernstein, Rodriguez, and Velasco
- Checkpoint set up: Deputy Harris
- Cones: Deputies Nunez, Nice, Phaneuf, Lynn, Villanueva, and Heath

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Ina Road/Camino De Fosforo

Eastbound: Sgt. Manoleas

Contact

- Deputy Nice
- Deputy Murray
- Deputy Lynn
- Deputy Phaneuf
- Deputy Villanueva
- Deputy Van Santen
- Deputy Gil
- Deputy Heath
- Deputy Curtin

Chase (East side of checkpoint)

- Deputy Bernstein
- Deputy Velasco
- Deputy Rodríguez

Westbound: Sgt. Stikkelbower (OVPD)

Contact

- Deputy Roher
- Deputy Harris
- Deputy Nunez
- Deputy LaFontain
- Deputy Castro
- Deputy Doran
- Officer ??? (OVPD)
- Officer ??? (OVPD)
- Officer ??? (OVPD)

Chase (West side of checkpoint)

- Officer ??? (OVPD Motor)
- Officer ??? (OVPD Motor)
- Deputy Carlson

SAFETY!

- Safety is the most important aspect of the operation



SAFETY!

- **Reflective Vests** *must be worn at all times when in or near the roadway!*



SAFETY!

- Radio Frequency: North 1
- Frequency will be manned by PCSD dispatcher
- Use proper radio 10 code and supplement code.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING

- 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.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING



- The location chosen for the checkpoint was based in part from statistical data involving DUI incidents in the surrounding area.
- The above Pin Map shows a recent history of DU/alcohol incidents (UCR Code 21.01 - 22.04) in the area of the Checkpoint location

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING

Supervisors assigned to the Sobriety Checkpoint operation will 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.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING



- 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.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING

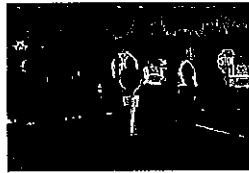


- A Sobriety Checkpoint pamphlet should be given to each motorist during the stop.

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?"

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING



- 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."

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING

- 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

- If the driver is evaluated and is **not impaired**, provide a pamphlet and **escort** the driver to their vehicle and help them pull into traffic, if necessary.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING

- Contact Deputies shall 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.**
- 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**

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING



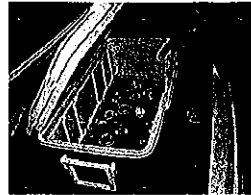
- The use of artificial light for the inspection of the vehicle's interior and its occupants is legally permissible.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING



- 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 should be conducted to inventory prior to being towed.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING



- 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.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING

- 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.

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT BRIEFING

- An Incident Report will be completed for each Sobriety Checkpoint deployment, including:
 - number of vehicles stopped
 - number of DUI arrests
 - other violations, which are observed and charged.
- Sergeant Dowdy will complete Force Commander Summary
- Media has been notified
- Public notification via twitter, Facebook and PCSD Website



Contact Officer Duties

- Make contact with vehicle operators
- Initiate investigations
- Follow through and complete investigation

Equipment and Logistics:

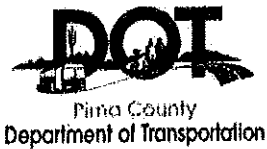
- Removal of vehicles (SAV/Rangers)
- FST's (Median area)
- PBT's (Checkpoint table)
- DRE
- Spanish Speaker
- Camera (Individual Deputies)

Chase

- Observe vehicles entering traffic pattern
- Watch for turnarounds and stop should you find reasonable suspicion.
- Watch for drivers and passengers to swap
- Watch for littering
- Stop vehicles when advised by checkpoint personnel


Statistics

- At the end of the operational period, report number of FST's administered, DUI arrests and other arrests.
- Chase vehicles list traffic stops, citations (haz & non haz), FST's, DUI arrests and other arrests.
- Provide information to Sergeant Dowdy.



MEMORANDUM

Department of Transportation

DATE: 9/2/05
TO: Karl Woolridge, Sergeant, Pima County Sheriff's Dept.
FROM: Albert Letzkus, Traffic Engineering Division Manager, PCDOT 
SUBJECT: Proposed Signing Plans for DWI Checkpoints

Enclosed with this memo are proposed signing plans for DWI checkpoints on County roads. They include plans for two-lane roads and for divided multi-lane roads. As I understand it, the signs for these checkpoints have been made by TED and delivered to you. Let me know when and where you will need the traffic cones, and I will coordinate their delivery to you with the Ops division.

If you have any questions about the proposed plans, feel free to call me at work at 740-5929, or on my cell phone at 850-3982.

Thank you.

Enclosures

cc: Tracy Shaw
Kurt Brei
Dave Cummings

SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT CONCEPT DRAWING

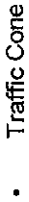
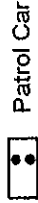
4-LANE DIVIDED

45 MPH POSTED SPEED LIMIT

NOTE: Opposite Direction of Travel Will Mirror Typical Layout

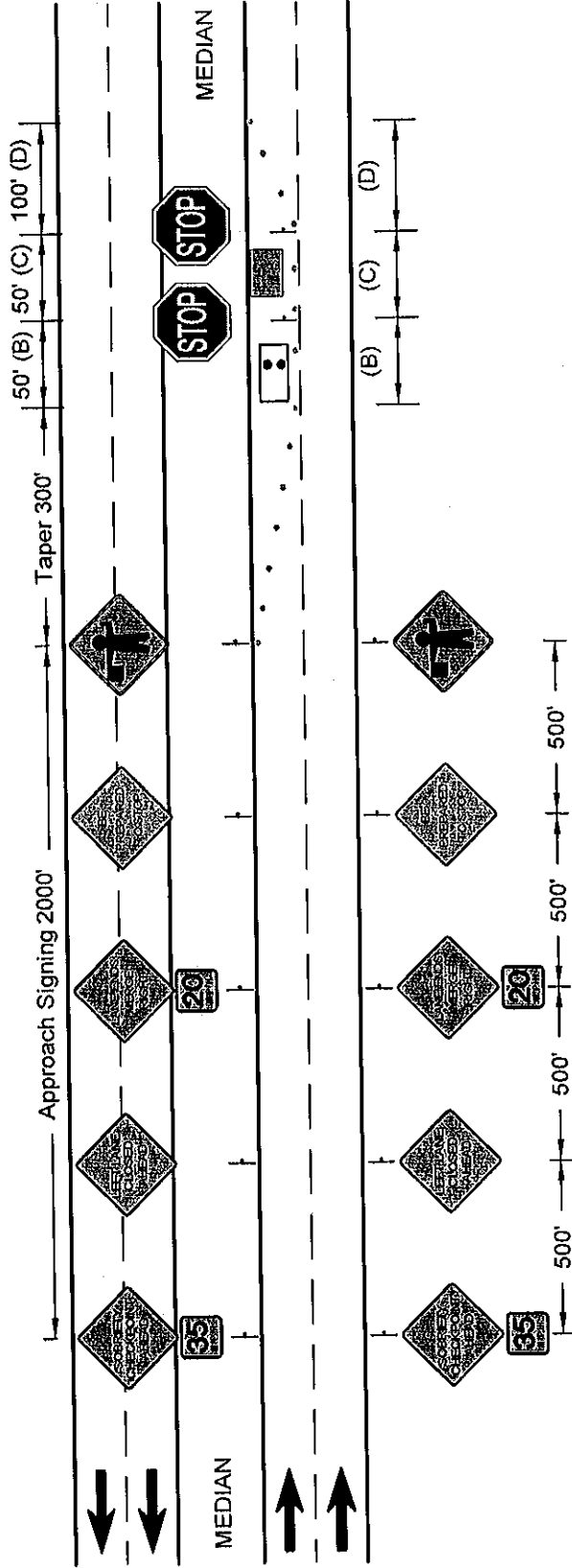
- Typical Sign Spacing 500'
- Approach Taper 300'
- Cone Spacing 40' MAX
- Departure Taper 100'

- Primary Signs 36" x 36"
- Advisory Plaques 18" x 18"



All Signs/Plaques in Hi-Intensity Sheeting

- (B) Buffer Zone
- (C) Checkpoint Area
- (D) Departure



Sobriety Checkpoint Supervisor Checklist

- Select and scout location
- Site measurements for signing
- Operations Plan
- Positioning/ Scheduling/ Manpower documents
- Notice memorandums to participating personnel
- Communications
 - Dispatcher if needed
- Approval from Special Ops Commander
 - Approval memorandum
 - Ops plan
 - Site diagram
 - Signing plan
 - Briefing documents
 - Sobriety Checkpoint guidelines
 - Procedures checklist
 - **Note:** *The above documents are to be submitted to Records under the master case number.*
- Notify PIO
 - Press release
- Arrange SAV's
 - Command Center
 - Command Post Bravo
 - Command Post Victor
 - Other _____
- Supplies:
 - Questionnaires
 - Procedures checklist
 - PBT's
 - Signing
 - Cones

Sobriety Checkpoint Administrative Deputy Checklist

- Call Number
- Distribute/ Collect/ Turn in checklists under the case number
- Statistic sheet
- Supplies
 - 20 Blood kits
 - 6 PBT's
 - Mouthpieces
 - 2 Tables
 - Masking tape
 - Forms
 - Questionnaires
- Signing
 - Four Lane Road- Large Trailer
 - 8 stop signs
 - 4 Sobriety Checkpoint Ahead/ 35 MPH signs
 - 4 Left Lane Closed signs
 - 4 Lane Ends Merge Right signs
 - 4 Be Prepared to Stop signs
 - 4 Flagman Signs
 - Two Lane Road- Small trailer
 - 6 stop signs
 - 2 Sobriety Checkpoint Ahead/ 35 MPH signs
 - 2 Lane Closed Ahead/ 20 MPH signs
 - 2 Be Prepared to Stop signs
 - 2 Flagman Signs
- Force Commander Summary
 - Number of vehicles stopped
 - Number of DUI arrests
 - FST's Administered
 - Other Violations
- Case report
 - Number of vehicles stopped
 - Number of DUI arrests
 - FST's Administered
 - Other Violations

Pima County Sheriff's Department Sobriety Checkpoint Guidelines

I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the physical construction and operation of a sobriety checkpoint. The goal of the checkpoint will be maximizing its deterrent effect by increasing the perceived risk of apprehension of motorists who would operate a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol or drugs.

II Policy

- A. It shall be the policy of the Pima County Sheriff's Department to implement a sobriety checkpoint program. The sobriety checkpoint program will be used as a part of the Pima County Sheriff's Department's ongoing comprehensive traffic enforcement efforts. To standardize this program, the following set of written guidelines has been developed governing the operation of sobriety checkpoints within the Pima County Sheriff's Department's jurisdiction.
- B. To implement this policy, the Special Operations Commander will ensure that the Traffic Unit or DUI Unit Supervisor complies with the following restrictions:
1. Satisfy the legal requirements for sobriety checkpoints.
 2. Conduct sobriety checkpoints with a minimum amount of intrusion or inconvenience to the motoring public.
 3. Assure the safety of the general public and of the participating law enforcement officers.
 4. Objectively select a sobriety checkpoint site based on relevant data.
 5. Provide for public information and education to maximize the deterrent effect and heighten awareness of the impaired driver problem.
 6. Provide for a systematic procedure for both data collection and post checkpoint reporting to insure consistency with checkpoint guidelines.
 7. Select participating law enforcement officers based on relevant training, skills, and experience.
 8. Brief participating deputies on operational guidelines prior to the

beginning of these checkpoints.

II Guidelines

A. General

1. Sobriety checkpoints will not be conducted without the approval of the Special Operations Commander or his designee.
2. A statistical summary and justification for establishing a sobriety checkpoint shall be presented to the Special Operations Commander for review and approval.
3. The selection of the date, time, and location of the sobriety checkpoint will be made by the Traffic or DUI Supervisor.
4. The Traffic or DUI Supervisor shall give no less than one day notice to the Press Information Officer Supervisor for dissemination to the general public. This announcement will not specify the location of the checkpoint but rather the Pima County Sheriff's Department's use of sobriety checkpoints for impaired driver deterrence.
5. The Traffic or DUI Supervisor shall conduct a briefing for all personnel assigned to operate the sobriety checkpoint. The Traffic or DUI Supervisor shall provide such personnel with required guidelines and procedures as well as answer questions concerning the operation.

B. Physical Construction of Sobriety Checkpoints

1. All sobriety checkpoints established by the Pima County Sheriff's Department shall strive for consistency with accepted procedures regarding the use of warning signs, barricades, traffic cones, warning lights, and other safety equipment and/ or warning devices that may be required.
2. Checkpoints will be categorized as follows:
 - A. **Large scale checkpoints** will be used on high volume, arterial type roadways and thoroughfares. These checkpoints will require a site plan with approval from the Pima County Department of Transportation as to the physical location and layout of the operation

- B. **Small scale checkpoints** will be used on smaller, rural type roadways. These operations will typically be manned by fewer personnel and constructed by Pima County Sheriff's Department personnel. The intent of these checkpoints is to be rapidly deployed and capable of tear down and relocation on short notice. These small scale checkpoints will generally be supported by a saturation type DUI patrol in the surrounding area.
 - C. **Phantom checkpoints** will be used on either arterial roadways or on lower volume traffic ways. The intent of these set ups is to give the motorists the impression that a checkpoint is either being prepared or was just completed. The appropriate signing and an emergency vehicle will be deployed but the checkpoint will not actually stop vehicles. Generally, a saturation patrol will be deployed in the vicinity of these checkpoints.
3. For the safety of law enforcement officers and the motoring public, vehicles will be, where possible, directed by means of warning signs, lights, traffic cones, or other safety equipment into a single traffic lane.
 4. All vehicles shall be required to stop at the checkpoint except as outlined in this procedure. Portable stop signs in addition to the directions of a uniformed law enforcement officer shall be utilized for this purpose.
 - A. At large scale checkpoints, a staggered stop of all vehicles shall be employed. All vehicles shall be motioned to a stop approximately 30 to 50 feet from the contact law enforcement officer. As the contact law enforcement officer concludes speaking with the operator of a vehicle, the next vehicle waiting shall be signaled to pull forward and then stop in the immediate vicinity of the contact law enforcement officer.
 - B. At small scale checkpoints, operators will be directed to stop by the law enforcement officer making contact with each vehicle.
 5. Adequate off street parking for follow up investigation (field sobriety testing and screening) shall be available in the immediate vicinity of the sobriety checkpoint.
 6. The Traffic or DUI Supervisor shall obtain permission from the owner

or agent of any private property or parking area used for this police purpose.

C. Operator Contact at Sobriety Checkpoints

1. All contact law enforcement officers shall be uniformed so as to assure the public that the sobriety checkpoint is a legitimate governmental operation.
2. All contact law enforcement officers shall wear a reflective traffic safety vest.
3. Only those law enforcement officers with DUI training shall participate as contact law enforcement officers at sobriety checkpoints.
4. The contact law enforcement officer shall utilize a statement/ question similar to the following upon contact with the driver of a stopped vehicle:

A Good evening. This is a sobriety checkpoint aimed at deterring impaired driving. Have you consumed any alcohol or drugs today?@

If the driver's answer is no and there is no other compelling reason to detain the vehicle, the contact law enforcement officer shall permit the vehicle to proceed.

5. During the conversation with the driver, the contact law enforcement officer will establish if reasonable suspicion exists to warrant further investigation.
6. The contact law enforcement officer shall pay particular attention to any symptoms or indicators of impairment to include but not limited to
 - A. Ability to follow directions as to the physical layout of the checkpoint as well as those given by checkpoint personnel.
 - B. The driver's speech, coordination, appearance, eyes, and any odor of intoxicants or other contraband.

- C. An odor of intoxicants warrants asking the driver if he or she has been drinking.
 - D. Irrational or erratic behavior consistent with an impaired subject.
7. Contact law enforcement officers shall utilize a flashlight or other form of artificial light to illuminate the driver, occupants, and interior of all vehicles for the purpose of their safety as well as to check the condition of the driver and monitor the actions of the occupants in the vehicle. If during this initial contact the deputy establishes a reasonable suspicion for further investigation, the operator will be escorted to an adjacent area for further screening.
 8. If such reasonable suspicion does not exist, the driver will be allowed to proceed.

D. Impaired Driver Screening

1. Suspected impaired drivers shall be processed in accordance with Pima County Sheriff's Department procedures related to DUI investigations. Law enforcement Officers participating in the operation shall administer such tests as practical and in accordance with their training in DUI investigation.
2. The law enforcement officer making initial contact with the operator shall remain with that driver throughout the remainder of the investigation.
3. If an operator displays impairment inconsistent with their blood alcohol level, a Drug Recognition Expert should be used to evaluate the operator.
4. If the law enforcement officer determines through the screening process that there is not probable cause to make an arrest, the operator shall be released.

E. Supervisor Responsibilities

1. A supervisor shall be present at the checkpoint at all times.
2. If the on scene supervisor at the checkpoint determines that a hazard is being created by the backup of stopped vehicles, he may suspend the checkpoint for a period of time in order to relieve the traffic congestion.
3. If there are an insufficient number of law enforcement officers to properly conduct the checkpoint at any given time, the on scene supervisor may suspend the checkpoint until such time as staffing becomes available.
4. Documentation shall be maintained regarding the length of time the checkpoint was suspended and the reason for the suspension.
5. The supervisor shall ensure that the following statistics are maintained:
 - A. Number of vehicles passing through the checkpoint
 - B. The number of operators field tested
 - C. The number of operators arrested
 - D. The charges brought against each arrested driver
6. A telephone shall be made available to facilitate the release of arrestees to responsible parties or to obtain alternate transportation.
7. Transportation shall be available to handle any arrestees who cannot be field released.
8. The Traffic or DUI Supervisor shall insure that a detailed report is completed with the statistical data from each checkpoint.
9. The Traffic or DUI Supervisor shall insure that an Incident Resume is completed documenting the DUI checkpoint and its results.

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F. Avoidance of Checkpoint

1. Vehicles that make a U-turn or otherwise maneuver to avoid the checkpoint may be followed by an observation car. The law enforcement officer may make a stop if he has reasonable suspicion. If no reasonable suspicion exists, the observation car will return to the checkpoint without stopping the vehicle.
2. 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. (The same procedure as in paragraph 1 will apply.)
3. Vehicles that refuse to stop within the checkpoint area may be stopped and cited for the appropriate violation(s). Such drivers shall also be examined for signs and symptoms of impairment.
4. Drivers who refuse to participate or cooperate for any reason shall not be detained solely for that reason. (The procedures outlined in paragraph 2 shall be followed.)

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May 19, 2006
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