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Local Law Enforcement Conducting Countywide Traffic Missions

Pueblo, CO: The Pueblo County Sheriff's Office is joining with the Pueblo Police Department and the Colorado State Patrol in conducting countywide traffic missions aimed at making roads, streets and highways throughout Pueblo County safer for motorists and travelers.

Sheriff's deputies, Pueblo Police Officers and Colorado State Patrol Troopers will be conducting joint operations in select locations throughout the city and county on streets and highways focusing on enforcement of traffic laws. The purpose of the mission is not to generate revenue but to get voluntary compliance and reduce traffic accidents.

Law enforcement has already started the missions with a focus on areas with high incidents of traffic accidents in the City of Pueblo, Pueblo County and on the highways. One location that will be a focus in Pueblo County is 36th Lane and U.S. Highway 50, which was the site of a triple fatal accident in 2022. Several locations have been identified in the City of Pueblo for enforcement efforts to include Northern Avenue, Cesar Chavez Boulevard, U.S. Highway 50 West and the U.S. Highway 50 Bypass.

"We really want to expand on our traffic enforcement. This has been a major concern for a lot of our citizens," said Pueblo County Sheriff David J. Lucero. "I see this collaboration as a great vehicle to be a force multiplier for traffic enforcement and for getting it under control."

To demonstrate the level of commitment of this mission, Sheriff Lucero swore in eight Pueblo Police officers today as Special Deputy Traffic Enforcement Deputies. The designation allows the police officers to enforce traffic laws outside the city jurisdiction in Pueblo County.

"Our hope is that this collaborative effort will curb some of the bad driving habits, which will ultimately reduce traffic accidents and make our roads, streets and highways safer for residents and visitors of Pueblo County," said Lucero.

Pueblo Police Chief Chris Noeller added "I am excited to team up with the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office and Colorado State Patrol to address traffic safety in our community. With staffing the way it is, this is a commonsense approach to help deal with a recognized problem in Pueblo and the surrounding areas and another great example of the teamwork between our organizations."

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