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RESULTS: Kitsap law enforcement team up for Thursday 'HiVE' patrol near Gorst

BREMERTON – The Washington State Patrol (WSP), Bremerton Police Department (BPD), Kitsap County Sheriff's Office (KCSO) and Port Orchard Police Department (POPD) combined efforts to reduce serious injury and fatality collisions, as well as interdict crime during a "High Visibility Enforcement" (HiVE) patrol on Thursday, July 21, 2022.

Thursday's emphasis was the second of four scheduled HiVE patrols occurring in and around the area of Gorst over a four week period with saturation patrols held during times peak times of collisions and crime as dictated by agency collected data.

Future HiVE patrols are scheduled for Thursday, July 28 and Thursday, August 28, all within the five-mile radius of Gorst. The Port Orchard Police Department will also be joining future HiVE efforts.

The results from the July 21 HiVE during the four-hour saturation patrol of 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.:

- Total traffic stops: 147
- Total violations observe: 184
 - Speed contacts: 84
- Distracted driving contacts: 17
- Seatbelt violations: 17
- Criminal offense citations/arrests: Nine, including:
 - Five suspended drivers
 - One ignition interlock
 - Two misdemeanor warrants/arrests

No serious injury or fatality collisions were reported in the target area during the saturation patrol.

The results were more than double of those achieved during the first July 14 HiVE patrol, which resulted in 54 traffic stops, 67 violations, 33 speed contacts, and five criminal offenses within a four-hour period.

The HiVE patrol's success was thanks to the combined efforts of BPD, KCSO, WSP, Washington State Department of Transportation, WSP aviation, and the proactive, safe driving efforts of the motoring public.

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