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WSP Plans High Visibility Enforcement Patrols During the Beyond Wonderland Concert

GRANT COUNTY, Wash. - Washington State Patrol (WSP) District 6 will be conducting High Visibility Enforcement (HiVE) patrols, with the goal of reducing serious injury and fatality collisions.

“Our first HiVE patrol, out of a series of four, will take place June 20 to June 22 and will focus mainly on driving behaviors that lead to serious injury and/or fatality collisions. Historically, larger concerts bring higher numbers of speeders, aggressive drivers, bad passing, impaired drivers, and other criminal activity,” said WSP Public Information Officer Trooper Jeremy Weber.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), speed-related violations alone claimed the lives of over 12,000 people nationwide in 2022.

WSP uses HiVE patrols to utilize agency data to ensure resources are placed in the right locations at the right time to make the most impact. They also use extra resources to include K-9 troopers, Aggressive Driving Apprehension Team (ADAT) and other allied agencies to focus on their efforts. “Excessive speed and aggressive driving statistically save drivers very little time but greatly increases the risks to the driver and the many innocent bystanders they share the road with,” said Jeffery Andersen, WSP Wenatchee Sergeant.

In addition to aggressive driving behaviors, WSP will also be looking for the use of electronic devices and seatbelt violations.

Updates on the progress throughout the HiVE patrol will be provided on WSP District 6 social media platforms, including Instagram ([wastatepatrol_d6](https://www.instagram.com/wastatepatrol_d6)) and/or X ([@wspdp6pio](https://twitter.com/wspdp6pio)).

For questions or interviews, please contact Public Information Officer Trooper Jeremy Weber.

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