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Homeland Security Division: State Route 160 Emphasis

**Port Orchard** – The Washington State Patrol Homeland Security Division will be conducting a high visibility emphasis at and in the general vicinity of the Southworth Ferry Terminal to include SR 160.

The WSP has observed an increase in complaints surrounding speeding, aggressive driving and other dangerous and collision causing behaviors. The WSP will be working with the community and Washington State Ferry personnel to identify aggressive driving and work to make the corridor safer. It is important to remember that the posted speed limit for the Southworth ferry terminal is 10 MPH. This applies to vehicles, motorcycles and bicycles. It is imperative that traffic laws and speed limits are abided by in order to ensure safe travel for all.

As we enter the summer sailing season, pedestrian and bicycle traffic increases as well as the likelihood for a collision. The WSP Homeland Security Division will continue its effort to support the Target Zero goal in Washington State.

Target Zero is the State of Washington’s goal to reach zero fatalities by the year 2030 on our state’s roadways. We need everyone's help in achieving this goal. Please use patience when loading and offloading a WSF vessel. As the weather begins to change and summer approaches we see an increase in ridership across the entire ferry system. There are more pedestrians, bicyclists and increased traffic at and near the ferry terminals.

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