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 28, 2022.

Thursday’s emphasis was the third 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.

The results from the July 28 HiVE during the four-hour saturation patrol of 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.:

- Total traffic stops: 106
- Total violations observed: 130
- Speed contacts: 71
- Criminal offense citations/arrests: Nine, including:
  - Five felony warrants
  - One felony eluding
  - Two driving while license suspended

Those participating in the HiVE patrol were able to apprehend a fleeing motorcycle rider utilizing WSP aviation. Pilots were able to track the rider into Mason County and advise ground units where the rider had eventually stopped. Officers later took the rider into custody without the need for a pursuit.

BPD officers responded to and investigated a serious injury collision on Kitsap Way caused by a vehicle with defective equipment.

The final HiVE patrol is scheduled for Thursday, August 28, all within the five-mile radius of Gorst.

The HiVE patrols rely on the partnership 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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