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DUI Checkpoints Planned But Hurricane Irene May Have Other Plans For Delaware

Dover – Last weekend (Aug 19th-21th) a total of 25 individuals were arrested for DUI; 13 as part of the Checkpoint Strikeforce, and 12 as part of the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* National Impaired Driving Crackdown. In addition to the DUI arrests, officers issued a total of 8 seat belt citations, apprehended 13 wanted individuals, made 19 drug arrests, made 9 felony arrests, seized 1 weapon, made 2 underage drinking arrests, issued 1 child restraint citation, and issued 74 citations for various other traffic violations.

Three DUI Checkpoints were planned for the upcoming weekend; however Hurricane Irene has other plans for Delaware that may cause the following to be re-scheduled at a later date. The planned checkpoints are scheduled for:

Friday August 26th – Wilmington– Checkpoint (NcCo DUI Task Force)

UPDATE SATURDAY CHECKPOINTS CANCELLED

Saturday August 27th– Bear - Checkpoint (DSP Troop 2)

Millsboro – Checkpoint (Millsboro PD)

Checkpoint Strikeforce is a regional sobriety checkpoint campaign aimed at arresting DUI offenders, and uses high visibility enforcement to deter those who would otherwise choose to drink and drive. The campaign, a six month long effort running through New Year's Eve, involves setting up weekly DUI checkpoints statewide.

For more information on *Checkpoint Strikeforce* visit www.ohs.delaware.gov and follow regular campaign updates on Twitter at www.twitter.com/DEHighwaySafe and Facebook www.facebook.com/ArriveAliveDE. You can also see how real consequences of a DUI are in Delaware at DUIRealTime.com.