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Illegal Street Racing Crackdown

ELK GROVE, CA – As part of an on-going operation, the Elk Grove Police Department and the California Highway Patrol (CHP) in conjunction with funding from the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), will begin a two-day crackdown on illegal street racing and illegally modified vehicles this weekend (August 25-26, 2006).

"This weekend, there will be twenty to thirty-five officers patrolling the streets of Elk Grove looking for street racers and modified vehicles," said Sgt. Dan Davis, supervisor of the Traffic Bureau. "The goal is to educate the Elk Grove community about the dangers of speed and consider ways to improve traffic flow so everyone can travel the roads safely and efficiently. It's also to serve as an enforcer for those who put their lives -- and others' lives - - at risk by violating the vehicle code."

A similar operation held in July of 2006 resulted in over 450 traffic citations, twenty towed vehicles, thirteen DUI arrests, one narcotics arrest and three warrant arrests.