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DUI Checkpoints in Riverbank

Riverbank, CA-The Riverbank Police Department will be conducting a DUI/Drivers License checkpoint on (Saturday), **August 23rd, 30th and September 6th 2008 from 7 pm to 3 am**, on a major City highway. In an effort to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol involved crashes, DUI checkpoints are conducted to identify offenders and get them off the street, as well as educate the public on the dangers of impaired driving.

Impaired driving is not just another traffic offense; it is a serious crime that often causes needless deaths and injuries. Riverbank is well-past the point of tolerating drunk driving. Enough is enough. If you drive drunk, you will be arrested!

California's DUI crackdown is major because Labor Day, a holiday celebrated throughout California with parties and parades, has unfortunately become notorious as a day when thousands of drivers make the deadly decision to drive drunk in California. Last year in California, 25 people were killed over the Labor Day weekend in California DUI accidents.

The law enforcement crackdown, known as **Drunk Driving, Over the Limit, Under Arrest**, includes sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols as well as an \$11 million national TV and radio campaign. The timing of the crackdown - the last weeks of summer vacation including the Labor Day holiday weekend - is a heavy travel time and period of increased drunk driving fatalities and injuries.

Funding for this operation is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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