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NEWS RELEASE

HIGH-VISIBILITY ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS PLANNED ON ROUTES 10 & 12

CONCORD, N.H. – The New Hampshire Office of Highway Safety (NHOHS) announces two upcoming high-visibility saturation enforcement efforts in the western part of the state to deter and detect dangerous driving behaviors.

One initiative is planned for New Hampshire Route 10, a 122-mile north-south state highway that extends into Massachusetts. A second initiative is planned on New Hampshire Route 12, a 62-mile north-south state highway along the Massachusetts state border.

During the effort, which begins tomorrow, Wednesday, June 5, the NHOHS will collaborate with state, county and local law enforcement, as well as counterpart agencies from the State of Massachusetts and the State of Vermont. Members of law enforcement will be particularly focused on drivers who are speeding and/or distracted. The goal of the effort is to prevent crashes and injuries and ultimately save lives.

As of yesterday, June 3, 42 lives have been lost in 39 crashes on New Hampshire roads so far in 2024.

According to NHTSA, from 2019 to 2022, 165 people were killed in speed-related crashes in New Hampshire. Additionally, 27 people were the victims of crashes in which distraction and/or inattention were cited as a causation factor by the investigating police department.

The upcoming efforts are funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration through grants issued by the NHOHS. The NHOHS thanks all agencies and their members who will be participating in this effort to protect lives and take dangerous drivers off the roads, as well as the residents and visitors of New Hampshire who commit to driving safely.

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