



# San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

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### SYNOPSIS:

On the night of May 5, 2018 between the hours of 8:30 PM and 2:30 AM, deputies from the San Diego Sheriff's Department, Santee Traffic Division conducted a DUI sobriety and driver license checkpoint near the intersection of Mission Gorge Rd. and State Route 125 in Santee. The checkpoint was staffed by approximately 11 DUI trained deputies. The purpose of the checkpoint and saturation was to remove impaired and/or unlicensed drivers from the roadway, public education and deterrence thereby increasing the safety of all drivers and allowing for a safer driving environment. Funding for this operation was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

A total of 985 vehicle drivers were contacted during the checkpoint. The operation resulted in five (5) DUI arrests. Thirty-two (32) were directed into the secondary inspection area for further evaluation. Six (6) citations were issued for suspended/revoked or no driver's licenses and eight (8) vehicles were impounded during the operation.

Any questions about the DUI Checkpoint can be directed to Sergeant Joe Passalacqua, of the Santee Patrol Station, Traffic Division, at (619) 956-4033.

### CHECKPOINT ACTIVITY:

VEHICLES CONTACTED:	985
VEHICLES THROUGH WITHOUT CONTACT:	54
TOTAL VEHICLES THROUGH:	1039
VEHICLES SENT INTO SECONDARY:	32
FIELD SOBRIETY TESTS GIVEN:	8
23152 ARREST TOTAL (Alcohol)	4
23152 ARREST TOTAL (Drugs)	1
OTHER ARREST TOTAL:(Felony Warrants)	0
OTHER ARREST TOTAL (Under the Influence of drugs)	0
OTHER ARREST TOTAL: (Suspended License 14601.2A or 14601.1A)	3
VEHICLES STORED:	8
CITATIONS ISSUED:	12