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BIKE SEASON IS HERE!!



Summer is here!! As I write this we are almost half way through the month of June. Your Police Department's Administration realizes the importance of added patrols in these areas during the summer months. There has been much thought, preparation and planning that has gone into a sustainable plan for this year and years to come. If the title of the article didn't give it away, you guessed it!! You will be seeing increased bike patrols again this summer!

We have held two training courses to train 19 more Officers this year alone! All of these Officers currently work in Patrol or Investigations and the Bike Patrol Certification allows them to take on additional shifts outside of their primary duties. In addition to training Police Officers for Bike Patrols we have also trained the Park Rangers!! In all, there were 19 Officers and 9 Park Rangers trained this spring!

If you happen to be wondering who you will see patrolling on bikes this summer, I'll break it down! As in other years, you will see the department's School Resource Officers (SROs) this summer. Officer Bill Stauber (East High School SRO), Officer Jason McClure (Denfeld High School SRO) and Officer Tom Sewell (Ordean Middle School SRO) will all be out and about this summer. In addition to the SROs, you will also see members of your Community Policing Unit on a very regular basis. We will likely mix it up a bit between Foot and Bike patrols, but will be there nonetheless! Wait there is more... on an almost daily basis for the months of June, July and August there will be addition shifts

dedicated to Bike Patrols. The times and number of shifts vary, but you can look for additional Bike Officers during the hours of 10:00 am and 10:00pm or Midnight most days of the week

Here are some photos from this spring's training courses. These courses consisted of some classroom lecture, but the majority of the class was spent outside learning and developing a skillset that can be applied while working Bike Patrol shifts. The cone courses help Officers develop skills in slow, precise and controlled riding. We also worked on numerous other skills throughout the course such as emergency stopping, road riding in traffic both safely and effectively, traffic stops, subject stops and many more!

