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Bureau of Highway Patrol Adds New Unit

(SOLDOTNA, Alaska) – The Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol’s Kenai Peninsula team will officially be established and patrolling on July 1, 2009. The team will call Soldotna home, but will provide focused and dedicated traffic enforcement statewide when needed.

The Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol was established December 1, 2008 with a team in Fairbanks and a team in the Mat-Su Valley. All three teams are made up of Alaska State Troopers and partnering municipal officers.

“The Highway Safety Teams are very dedicated and are very active on the roadways. We firmly believe time will show that they have a positive impact in diminishing deaths and significant injuries on Alaska’s highways,” said Captain Hans Brinke, commander of the Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol.

The mission of the Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol is to bring the number of fatal and major injury collisions on Alaska’s roadways down to zero. This new team will assist the bureau in reaching its goal.