

# **2011 ANNUAL REPORT**

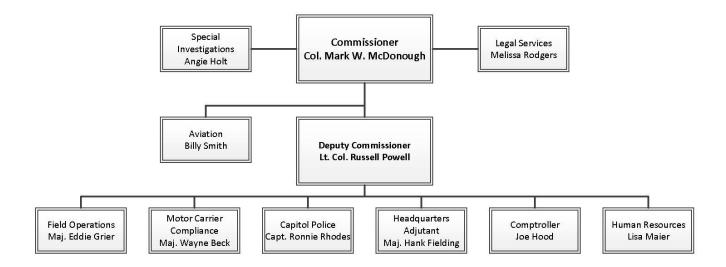
The annual report of the Georgia Department of Public Safety including the Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance and Capitol Police.

# GA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY CELEBRATES 75 YEARS

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# Georgia Department of Public Safety Division Level Organization Chart



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# **History of the Department**

The Georgia Department of Public Safety was created in 1937 and oversees the day-to-day operation of the Georgia State Patrol (GSP), Capitol Police and the Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD). GSP troopers investigate traffic crashes and enforce traffic and criminal laws on the state's roads. Capitol Police officers prevent and detect criminal acts, and enforce traffic regulations throughout Capitol Hill. MCCD officers conduct safety inspections of commercial motor vehicles and inspect highway shipments of hazardous materials.

#### **Georgia State Patrol**

"Wisdom, Justice and Moderation" has been the motto of the Georgia State Patrol since its inception in March 1937. It was the motoring public who first advocated the need for the Department of Public Safety. Traffic fatalities, increased crime, and a need for a larger law enforcement agency with statewide arrest powers, led Georgia lawmakers to create the State Patrol. In the summer of 1937, the first Trooper School was held at Georgia Tech and graduated 80 Troopers. To date, the Georgia State Patrol has graduated 86 Trooper Schools.

Since its beginnings, the Georgia State Patrol has been one of the leading law enforcement agencies in the country with regards to new technology and innovations. Georgia State Patrol was the first agency to equip all of its patrol cars with dash-mounted cameras. Each trooper on patrol in Georgia has specialized training in the Pursuit Intervention Technique (P.I.T.). This method allows Troopers to end pursuits quickly by putting the fleeing vehicle in a controlled spin.

#### **Capitol Police**

Officers with the Capitol Police Division investigate criminal incidents and traffic crashes; manage street closures for events; patrol the streets on Capitol Square and those adjacent to other state buildings; provide courtroom secruity for Georgia's Supreme Court and Court of Appeals; conduct security assessments and surveillance detection; and deliver personal safety training for state employees and others.

#### **Motor Carrier Compliance**

The Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) performs driver and vehicle inspections of commercial motor vehicles at roadsides, inspection stations, and at carriers' terminals. The inspections range from "full" vehicle and driver inspections, which includes mechanical components, to "driver only" inspections. These may also include inspections of vehicles transporting hazardous materials.

## **DPS Command Staff**

COLONEL MARK W. MCDONOUGH COMMISSIONER



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**MAJOR WAYNE BECK** MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIANCE **COMMANDING OFFICER** 

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER



**MAJOR HANK FIELDING HEADQUARTERS ADJUTANT** 



**CAPTAIN RONNIE RHODES CAPITOL POLICE DIVISON COMMANDING OFFICER** 





## Commissioner's Office

Commissioner Mark W. McDonough is the Chief Executive of the Department of Public Safety and holds the rank of Colonel in the Georgia State Patrol. The units assigned to the Commissioner for direct supervision are Legal Services, Office of Professional Standards, Comptroller, and Aviation.

#### SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

The Special Investigations Division (SID) supports the mission and core beliefs of the Department of Public Safety and is dedicated to protecting the integrity of the department through ensuring adherence to ethical standards, performance criteria, and commitment to public service. SID performs its function by conducting a variety of investigations, including internal affairs matters, pre-employment background cases, and violations of speed detection device permits.

SID is comprised of the Internal Affairs Unit, the Background Investigation Unit, the Polygraph Unit, the Permits Unit, and support staff. In 2011, personnel assigned to the division included a director, an assistant director, two sergeants first class, four sergeants, three troopers first class, one motor carrier officer 3, one police corporal, one investigator, two polygraph examiners/investigators, one permit issuance specialist, one confidential secretary, and one part-time support member.

<u>Internal Affairs Unit:</u> The Internal Affairs Unit investigates allegations of wrongdoing against members of the Department of Public Safety, including the Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance Division and Capitol Police. The Internal Affairs Unit also investigates complaints alleging the misuse of speed detection devices by any agency bearing the department's certification, as well as assessing threats made against the department's interests.

During 2011, the Department of Public Safety initiated 140 investigations. The table below is a summary of the types and number of cases investigated during 2011:

Accident Investigation	5
Conduct Unbecoming	13
Off Duty Misconduct	1
Domestic Misconduct	3
Lost/stolen/damaged equipment	4
Harassment/Hostile Work Environment	3
Off Duty Misconduct	1
Improper Conduct	18
PIT/Pursuits	3
Recovery of Stolen Weapon	3
Use of Force - firearm discharged	7
Theft	3
Improper Search/Seizure	1
Work performance	1
Bias Based Profiling	1
Misconduct during Traffic Stop	11
Threat Assessment	14
Impersonating a Trooper	7
Other	22

Speed Detection Device Complaint	19
Investigations	
	TOTAL 140

**Background Investigation Unit:** The Background Investigation Unit is responsible for conducting pre-employment investigations for candidates seeking to join the Department of Public Safety. During 2011, the Background Investigation Unit managed 940 pre-employment applications from Human Resources, an increase of 87% from 2010. Of those, 619 did not meet the department's employment standards and were disqualified from further consideration; and 44 applicants withdrew prior to the completion of the pre-employment investigations. The Background Unit, assisted by the Internal Affairs Unit, as well as GSP field lieutenants and MCCD SFCs, conducted 277 pre-employment investigations on applicants who moved forward for further consideration for employment.

The 940 applicants wished to be considered for the following positions: (440) GSP trooper, (285) dispatcher, (153) Motor Carrier cadet, (38) Capitol Police/safety officer, and (24) support (secretary, clerk, technology).

**Polygraph Unit:** The Special Investigations Division Polygraph Unit provides support for background investigations, internal affairs specific issue investigations and criminal specific issue investigations (on special request). During 2011, the two polygraph investigators conducted 749 polygraph examinations for the Department of Public Safety. The overall number represented a substantial increase from 2010. Of the 749 examinations conducted, 741 were pre-employment type and eight were specific issue. The examination total represented a 242% increase over 2010 primarily due to expanded pre-employment testing. An additional 63 pre-employment polygraph examinations were conducted for DPS by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Polygraph Unit.

In addition to conducting polygraph tests, the examiners provided instruction and specialized training for the Georgia, Tennessee, and Florida Polygraph Associations, and in two national seminars for the American Polygraph Association. Personnel also rendered support to the law enforcement community by serving on the Northwest Georgia Police Academy Advisory Board and by providing instruction at Kennesaw State University for the Criminal Justice program and the National Administrative Law Judges Association.

The Investigators had continued involvement in assisting to establish procedures for SID evidence, as well as the organization of the contents of the SID evidence room. They also investigated and/or assisted with, several criminal, internal affairs and threat assessment cases and performed computer forensic examinations.

**Permits Unit:** This unit administers the statewide issuance of the following permits: Speed detection device permits to law enforcement agencies; Wholesale/retail firearms licenses to individuals/businesses seeking to sell handguns less than 15 inches in length; and to individuals seeking exceptions to Georgia's window tint law.

During 2011, the Permits Unit issued or renewed 733 speed detection device permits (an increase from 310 in 2010), 1,131 wholesale/retail firearms permits with attached fees of \$36,880 (an increase from 988 in 2010), and 306 window tint permits (up from 286 in 2010) with attached fees of \$3,040.

The initiative to reduce the delinquencies of firearms dealers permit was continued and helped to increase compliance with licensing statutes. This initiative includes acting upon information provided by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms from inspections conducted on federal firearms license holders.

#### **LEGAL SERVICES**

The Department of Public Safety Legal Services Office consists of four attorneys, one records manager, one assistant records manager, two paralegals, four customer service representatives and one confidential secretary. The Legal Services Office includes the attorney and paralegal assigned to the ALS grant and the staff assigned to the Open Records Unit. The primary function of the Legal Services Office is to provide assistance to the commissioner and to the employees of the department concerning any matters associated with the day-to-day operations of the department.

The Legal Services Office works closely with the Department of Law on legal issues facing the department. The legal staff serves as the liaison to the Department of Law, providing litigation support and coordinating representation requests.

The Legal Services staff works closely with the Human Resources Division and department managers to ensure compliance with all applicable state and federal labor and employment laws. Legal Services also provides technical assistance to Human Resources in responding to inquiries made by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Georgia Commission on Equal Employment Opportunity.

The Legal Services staff also works closely with Investigative Services, providing guidance and assistance with investigative matters. The attorneys regularly provide training to the department's employees during trooper school and in-service training. The Legal Services staff also responds to inquiries from the general public regarding the department and the laws it enforces.

Attorneys with the Legal Services Office represent the department before administrative law judges in personnel appeals and other administrative hearings. They also provide assistance to the Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) on issues involving commercial vehicles and represent the MCCD officers at administrative hearings.

The Open Records Unit, consisting of a records manager, an assistant records manager, and four customer service employees, is responsible for processing open records requests from the public, with a focus on prompt and efficient customer service. The unit also provides guidance and assistance to field staff responding to open records requests and is responsible for maintaining and updating the department's policy manual.

In 2004, the department was awarded an Administrative License Suspension (ALS) grant from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS). The ALS grant is now part of the Nighthawk DUI Task Force grant, which was also awarded to the Department by GOHS. The grant provides specific funding for an ALS attorney who serves as a Department representative and assists troopers at ALS hearings, along with a paralegal who assists the ALS attorney with case preparation and record-keeping. The ALS attorney provides assistance at a majority of the ALS hearings in Troop C (metropolitan Atlanta). In addition, the ALS attorney provides assistance at ALS hearings for Troopers assigned to the Nighthawk DUI Task Force South unit which covers Savannah and Statesboro. The ALS attorney assists all other troops statewide at ALS hearings on an as-needed basis. The attorney also assists troopers statewide with questions regarding DUI and ALS issues, and conducts DUI/ALS training for all new troopers attending trooper school.

The Legal Services Office drafts legislation and reviews all proposed legislation that may impact the department. During the legislative session, staff closely monitors bills impacting public safety and disseminates information regarding legislative changes.

The Legal Services Office reviews all asset forfeiture cases and notifies the county District Attorney and/or Sheriff of any federal asset forfeiture proceeds received by GSP which are available to them.

The Legal Services Office coordinates with the State Properties Commission in the preparation of agreements regarding the disposal, acquisition and use of property. The office drafts resolutions, agreements and other documents relating to the construction and use of property.

Each month, the Legal Services Office publishes the *DPS Legal Review* which is distributed to the department's employees as well as other law enforcement agencies and interested parties.

In 2011, some of the activities performed by the Legal Services staff were:

- Reviewed, revised or drafted 72 contracts, agreements, or memoranda of understanding.
- o Opened and processed 246 legal case files which included 62 asset forfeiture cases.
- Responded to 8,155 Open Records requests.
- Opened 1,820 Administrative License Suspension (ALS) cases and filed 885 motions and briefs, and represented troopers at the related ALS hearings.
- Opened 93 overweight/oversize citation cases and represented MCCD officers at 45 administrative hearings.

#### **AVIATION**

**Aviation Staff:** The GSP Aviation Division staffing consists of a director, an assistant director, 13 pilots, 20 tactical flight officers, a maintenance supervisor, three mechanics, and one administrative assistant. The Unit fleet of helicopters currently consists of two UH-1H Hueys, three Bell 407s, six OH-58s, four Bell 206s and one Cessna 182 airplane. The Aviation unit has 5 FAA certified Rotorcraft Instructors and a FAA Designated Pilot Examiner. To be selected as a pilot for the unit, the applicant must have three years' experience as a trooper, possess a current second class medical and have an unrestricted commercial pilot's license with either airplane or rotorcraft class ratings.

Recurrent training and safety is a priority for the unit. In addition to regular in-house training, the pilots participate in an emergency training program taught by Bell Helicopter instructors twice a year. Since the inception of the Aviation Unit in 1974, the unit has only experienced tow non-fatal accidents in 38 years. This safety record is attributed to our professional maintenance crew, our pilots and some divine intervention.

**Support:** The Georgia State Patrol Aviation Division is a support agency that encompasses 159 counties and provides 24/7 law enforcement/public safety services to the citizens of Georgia. This assistance to state, county and city municipalities is at no cost to these agencies. As time progressed and the need for aviation assets increased, additional hangars were constructed throughout the state. Currently, the Aviation Division has five field hangars, in addition to the headquarters hangar, strategically located in Gainesville, Thomson, Reidsville, Albany and Perry. The Aviation Unit collectively responded to over 1,250 calls in 2011. The vast majority of these calls included locating missing/wanted persons in aerial searches, fire suppression, SWAT insertion, hoist rescue operations, aerial surveillance, microwave downlink, executive transport and support to the Georgia Governor's Task Force for Drug Suppression.

# **Deputy Commissioner's Office**

Lt. Colonel Russell Powell, Deputy Commissioner, oversees the daily operations of several divisions, including GSP Field Operations (Troops A - I, SCRT, SWAT, GSP Dive Team, Nighthawks DUI Task Force, Criminal Interdiction, Honor Guard, and Implied Consent), Motor Carrier Compliance Division, Capitol Police, Headquarters, Human Resources, Recruiting, Off Duty Employment, Public Information Office, Training, Records Management and HQ Security, Governor's Task Force, Regional K-9 Task Force, K-9 Training and Certification, FBI Liaison, GOHS Liaison, GISAC Officer, and D.T.F. Detachments.

#### **EXECUTIVE SECURITY**

The primary purpose of the Executive Security Division of the Georgia State Patrol is to provide effective, efficient dignitary and facilities security services for individuals and facilities authorized in the state statute. The Special Services Section provides dignitary protection services through its Dignitary Protection Unit for those protectees designated by the director and security services for the Governor's Mansion facility and its grounds.

During 2011, the Dignitary Protection Unit handled 2,432 security details logging in 26,881 hours. There were 53 visiting principals from other states or countries.

The Special Services Section screened 13,757 visitors attending public tours at the Governor's Mansion during 2011. There were an additional 7,270 guests attending special events. There was a total of 15,496 security hours for the Governor's Mansion Facility in 2011. The Executive Security Division logged in 1,702 training hours for 2011.

#### **TRAINING**



The DPS Training Division consists of the GSP Training Unit and the MCCD Training Unit. The office is located at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) in Forsyth, Georgia. The Training Division is responsible for facilitating basic and advanced training for all members of The Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance, and Capitol Police. The DPS Training Division maintains training records for all members as well as reporting training to The Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) Council. Upon request and with the approval of the Commissioner, the Training also provides basic and advanced training to local agencies.

**GSP Training Unit:** The GSP Training Unit graduated the 89<sup>th</sup> GSP Trooper School on November 10 with 35

trooper cadets. The 89<sup>th</sup> GSP Trooper School began on October 30 and will graduate on June 1, 2012 with 45 trooper cadets.

The unit conducted the following training for the department: Spring and Fall Firearms In-service, Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT), Spring and Fall Physical Fitness Inservice, Driving Simulator Training, Patrol Rifle, Pursuit Liability with Due Regard, Below 100, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), Child Passenger Safety Technician (CPST), Traffic Incident Management Systems, Accident Reconstruction 1-5, Field Training Officer (FTO) Refresher, Driving Instructor, and POST Instructor.

**MCCD Training Unit:** The MCCD Unit conducted the following training for the department: North American Standards Parts A, B, and State, ARIDE, TRUCAM, Cargo Tanker, General Hazardous Materials, Motor Coach Inspection, Other Bulk Packages Training, Honor Guard, FTO, Weight Inspector, LIDAR Instructor and Operator, Passenger Vehicle Inspection, and Advanced EVOC.

Training also conducted several classes for outside agencies including Active Shooter Response, P.I.T. Training, Firearms Training, Police Patrol Rifle, SFST, and ARIDE Training.

#### **GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE**

The Governor's Task Force/Drug Suppression (GTF) is supervised by a task force commander from the Georgia State Patrol. GTF is comprised of six state agencies and four federal agencies

Each agency provides resources specific to their enforcement mission, i.e. aircraft, intelligence, logistical and administrative support, equipment and personnel trained and experienced in operating in a variety of environments found within the state. The task force is funded by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Domestic Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program (DCE/SP). These federal funds are asset forfeiture funds and administered by the Georgia Department of Public Safety. The primary role of the task force is to eradicate domestic marijuana within the State of Georgia and to gather intelligence relating to its manufacture and cultivation. Agencies comprising the task Force are: The Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance, Department of Natural Resources – Law Enforcement Division, Department of Corrections – Probation Division, Georgia Army National Guard Counter Drug, Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Drug Enforcement Administration, Civil Air Patrol, United States Forest Service and United States Customs and Border Patrol.

#### **Unit Summary**

Operational goals in 2011 were to utilize intelligence and aggressive enforcement to locate marijuana cultivation operations and prosecute those responsible for the criminal activity. Enforcement results were successful in indoor cultivation investigations and outdoor investigations. GTF initiated and developed intelligence for grow operations throughout the state. The intelligence was then forwarded to local agencies. Subsequent investigations resulted in numerous arrests and seizures. Several indoor investigations are ongoing in the state. The 2011 statistics indicate the degree of success in achieving primary operational goals.

Indoor Grow Plants Seized	4,846 Plants
Outdoor Grow Plants Seized	18,710 Plants
Total Plants Seized	23,556 Plants
Plant Seizure Value	\$56.8 million
Arrests	101
Outdoor Sites Eradicated	181
Indoor Grows Located	20
Weapons Seized	133
Asset Seizures	\$812,247.00
Hours Flown	1,569

Numerous outdoor Drug Trafficking Organization sites (DTOs) were located in different regions of the state. Each of the outdoor locations had similarities such as food and tent shelters, with a plant count minimum of 100 to 1,000 plants. The northeast region, of the state comprises much of the Chattahoochee National Forest, a mountainous area which provides an ideal location for marijuana cultivation. The southeastern region, predominantly rural, i.e. Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, is also an area

frequented by growers. Marijuana growers continue to plant numerous small plots in order to hinder detection. The warmer climate of the southern regions of Georgia allows marijuana growers the ability to harvest a minimum of two crops during the season. The task force has found that most plant seedlings were initially germinated in an indoor environment and transplanted outdoors as the season began. Most seedlings displayed grow cups attached to the root system indicating various indoor growers around the state .In an effort to address the growing number of DTO grow operations, four P.O.S.T. certified classes were conducted in the State by the task force commander to educate local, state and federal officers in the methods and techniques to discover marijuana grow operations with specific attention to DTOs operating within Georgia. The training was attended by over 200 officers.

#### **REGIONAL K-9 TASK FORCE**

The K-9 Training and Certification is comprised of two state agencies: Georgia State Patrol and Capital Police. The unit has two types of detection K-9s; narcotics and explosives. Their primary responsibility is to assist local, state and federal agencies.

The K-9 Training and Certification Unit is responsible for maintenance training and yearly certification of the DPS K-9 teams. This unit consists of three certified K-9 instructors that are responsible for 11 K-9 teams. The unit also assisted five other outside agencies with their K-9 team's training and certification.

The visibility and reliability of our teams helped to deter further narcotics criminal activity in Georgia. The visibility of our explosive K-9 teams also helped to deter criminals from performing acts of terrorism against our state and helped ensure the safety of our residents.

#### RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION

The Records Management Division is responsible for coordinating with Computer Services or other personnel for assistance in creating forms and providing information to the appropriate personnel when submitting forms, duplicates or conflicts with existing forms. This unit coordinates with Computer Services in creating and maintaining a central clearinghouse, accessible by all members of the department, for forms designed for use on the computer. Records Management also consults with affected units plus the Legal Services Division to determine the retention period for all new forms.

**Headquarters Security Unit:** Headquarters Security Unit is responsible for opening and closing headquarters, identifying all visitors, monitoring all entrances and exits, making deposits for revenue, the overweight unit, and the credit union, patrolling the grounds, raising and lowering the United States and Georgia flags. Headquarters security is also inundated with the task of relaying persons and/or items to and from headquarters. The division amassed over 350 relays in calendar year ending December 31, 2011. Sworn personnel in the division verified more than 65 Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) numbers for customers seeking to register vehicles. Also, 1,538 guests were logged in 2011.

**Off-Duty Employment Unit:** It is the policy of the Georgia Department of Public Safety to allow employees to engage in outside employment, provided that certain conditions are met and approved by the commissioner. This policy applies to both sworn and civilian personnel. It is the duty of this unit to administer and safeguard the integrity of the department and its employee's off-duty employment. Over 700 Request for Outside Employment forms were approved for departmental personnel in 2011. During the same time period, 53 part-time employers were approved and added to the data base.

#### **COMPTROLLER**

**Budget Office:** The Budget Office is a section within the Comptroller's Office. The Budget Administrator is responsible for managing the department's Budget, DPS/MCCD Concur Travel Office, Facilities and Mailroom sections.

The Budget Office duties include preparing the annual operating budget, zero based budget request, and the program based budget request with guidance from the Governor's and Legislative budget offices. The office also manages all amendments processed throughout the year, adding federal funds to the budget as needed.

Additionally, the budget office staff is responsible for monitoring expenditures to ensure they are recorded correctly and to ensure the budget will not be overspent. This includes producing monthly projections based on previous expenditures and historical trends.

Excess Property was formally created in 1991 to provide a coordinated means for state and local law enforcement agencies to obtain excess Department of Defense (DOD) equipment.

This division is the state point of contact for the 1122 Procurement program, which provides a means for state and local agencies to purchase equipment using federal government contracts. This office is also a state coordinator for the bulletproof vest partnership program.

The DPS/MCCD Concur travel office is responsible for the back office processing for all department related travel including special events and special details.

The Facilities section oversees risk management which maintains insurance policies and coordinates insurance matters related to facilities, equipment and communications. This section is also a liaison to the Georgia State Properties Commission and oversees all leases for radio communication towers and DPS/MCCD facilities/offices.

The Mailroom processes all incoming and outgoing U.S. Mail and United Parcel Service packages, and maintains a postage account for the department. The mailroom is responsible for all mail delivered by courier runs from Archives, State Records Center, Twin Towers, East Atlanta Post Office and other locations.

**Accounting:** The Accounting Section is responsible for maintaining the DPS accounting books and records for the Department of Public Safety/Georgia State Patrol and four attached agencies. The section consists of accounts payable, accounts receivable/revenue, payroll, and general ledger activity.

The amount of revenue for the Overweight Citations Unit that was transferred to the state treasury was \$6,939,402.89 for fiscal year 2011.

Revenue received from the Motorcycle Patrol Unit for Fiscal Year 2011:

Atlanta Municipal Court: \$ 3,230.11
DeKalb Recorders Court \$ 2,453.00
Fulton Magistrate Court: \$ 885,685.00
Cobb State Court: \$ 2,325.27
Clayton State Court: \$ 1,080.50
Total: \$ 894,773.88

The Accounts Payable section processed 11,215 checks and 2,305 electronic funds transfers.

The Department of Audits performed a financial review of the accounting records for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011. As a result of this review the department received a clean opinion and remitted surplus back to the State Treasury in the amount of \$164,096.12.

**Grants:** Grants are a section within the Comptroller's Office. The Grants Administrators' duties include writing grants, preparing the reimbursement claims, maintaining budgets, and adhering to federal guidelines on spending. The section also manages all projections and expenditures throughout the year for grants.

The following grants were awarded to the Department of Public Safety in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2011:

Administrative License Suspension Program and Nighthawks: The Nighthawks began patrols in the fall of 2004 and patrol in Fulton, Cobb, Clayton, DeKalb and Gwinnett counties during the peak hours for impaired drivers. In FY 2008, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) combined the Administrative License Suspension Program (ALS) with the Nighthawk DUI Task Force into one grant. This funding continues providing legal assistance to State Troopers at civil hearings for DUI suspension of driver licenses. The grant provides for one attorney, one paralegal, travel related to court appearances, and administrative support services. In 2009, Nighthawks added six troopers to the metro Atlanta team and a new team began work in the Savannah-Statesboro area. The FY 2011 grant, for the units combined award were \$1,785.000.00.

<u>K-9 Regional Task Force:</u> The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) awarded \$467,533.00 to provide continuation funding for the Regional K-9 Task Force. The grant provides funding for the unit commander, seven deputies, a secretary, and veterinary expenses. (Only retained \$71,533.00 and passed remaining funds to Chatham County Sheriff Office).

**Swat/Dive Team:** Grant funds totaling \$400,000.00 were awarded from The Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) to provide funding for Georgia State Patrol Swat/Dive Team to purchase two emergency vehicles and necessary supplies.

<u>Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) II and III:</u> Grant funds of \$1,051,496.01 and \$520,080.00 awarded from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) to DPS to provide funding for upgrading (**PSAP**). PSAP is a call center responsible for answering calls to an emergency telephone number for police, firefighting, and ambulance services.

<u>Mobile Data Terminals (MDT):</u> Grant funds of \$600,000.00 awarded from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) to DPS to provide funding for 148 MDTs to sworn officers and troop dispatch personnel.

<u>Counter-Terrorism Task Force:</u> Grant funds of \$110,000.00 awarded from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) to provide funding for Georgia State Patrol to purchase three emergency response vehicles with equipment.

<u>Capitol Police Bomb Dog:</u> Grant funds of \$67,200.00 awarded from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) to provide funding for Georgia State Patrol to purchase one vehicle, supplies and equipment for Capitol Police bomb dog.

**Governor's Task Force:** The Federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) awarded \$550,000.00 to provide air and ground search and destroy missions for marijuana eradication efforts in Georgia. In fiscal year 2011 expenses were \$550,000.00.

<u>Computer Aided Dispatch System (CAD):</u> In FY 2011, the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) awarded the Department of Public Safety (GSP) \$1,223.000.00 for the modernization of GSP's radio and dispatch system. This project includes hardware, software, training, installation, and configuration services.

Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP): Effective July 1, 2005, the Department of Motor Vehicle Safety was reorganized per House Bill 501 and the Department of Public Safety was designated the lead MCSAP agency for Georgia. For federal fiscal year 2011, MCSAP funding awarded in amount of \$ 5,888,828.00 from FMCSA. The mission of the MCSAP program is to improve commercial motor vehicle safety on Georgia's highways by reducing crashes, fatalities and injuries. Each year, new goals and objectives are outlined in a Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Plan (CVSP) and monitored throughout the plan year. During the 2011, federal fiscal year, the Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) performed 94,330 commercial motor vehicle inspections.

**New Entrant Program:** The Department of Public Safety's Motor Carrier Compliance Division is responsible for conducting the New Entrant program for Georgia. Pursuant to federal regulations, within 18 months of a receipt of New Entrant registration, a motor carrier based in Georgia must undergo a safety audit performed by the Motor Carrier Compliance Division. The audit ensures that the motor carrier has complied with the minimum safety standards necessary to continue operating after initially receiving a U.S. D.O.T. number. For the federal fiscal year 2011, the Department of Public Safety Motor Carrier Compliance Division operated on a federal grant awarded in the amount of \$1,328,000.00 from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA).

Georgia Targeting Aggressive Cars and Trucks: The Department of Public Safety's Motor Carrier Compliance Division began the Georgia Targeting Aggressive Cars and Trucks (GTACT) campaign in 2007. The GTACT program is a high-visibility traffic enforcement program. It uses communication, education and enforcement in high-risk corridors to reduce fatalities and injuries from unsafe driving behaviors by passenger vehicles and commercial motor vehicles. Georgia was the fourth state in the nation to implement this highly successful, federally funded campaign. The enforcement blitz for each campaign corridor typically runs for three to five days per week with follow-up blitzes scheduled later. Enforcement campaigns include officers from the MCCD, Georgia State Patrol and other local law enforcement jurisdictions. For the federal fiscal year of 2011, the Department of Public Safety's Motor Carrier Division was awarded \$428,000.00 for the media operations and \$816,241.60 for general operations of GTACT from FMCSA.

**Performance-Based Brake Test (PBBT):** A PBBT assesses vehicle-braking capability by measuring brake forces at each wheel or by measuring overall vehicle brake performance in a controlled test. For the federal fiscal year of 2011, the Department of Public Safety's Motor Carrier Division was awarded \$104,068.00 from FMCSA to purchase a unit.

**Overweight Citation Unit:** The Overweight Citations Unit is responsible for collecting and processing monetary fines imposed on trucks for being overweight when issued a citation at Georgia highway weigh stations. This office establishes the accounting policy to determine and implement internal financial controls in order to develop and institute accounting procedures for processing the collection of these monetary funds. This included the daily depositing of these funds so these funds can be transmitted to the Treasury of the State of Georgia. This process allows this unit to monitor and maintain accounting records on these transactions.

Additional functions performed by the Overweight Citations Unit include:

- Processed insufficient funds (NSF) checks
- Researched and allocate unapplied funds to appropriate accounts
- Initiated refunds
- Linked carriers' accounts to Departmental accounts
- Monitored appropriate bankruptcy cases
- Maintained citation disputes and administrative hearing documents in coordination with the department's Legal Service Office
- Prepared monthly financial statements and reports for the comptroller of the department.
- Issue and monitor conditional release agreements between Georgia DPS and the carrier/owneroperator (when signed by both parties) which permits monetary funds to be applied in a timely manner to past due citations.

In FY11, this unit processed, collected and deposited \$7,583,894 of monetary fines.

**Excess Property Office:** The Excess Property director is responsible for managing the 1033 and 1122 Procurement program. The mission of this office is to support Georgia's state and local law enforcement agencies. Excess Property works with a number of federal government offices to maximize support for Georgia.

In March 2011, the Excess Property Office was transferred from Georgia Emergency Management Agency – Homeland Security to the Georgia Department of Public Safety. In 2011, personnel attended the 11th Annual Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) National Training Conference, March 15-17, 2011 as part of continuing training in the management of the 1033 program. Personnel also attended the General Services Administration (GSA) Training Conference and Expo 2011 as part of continuing training in the management of the 1122 program.

#### The 1033 Program:

- The National Defense Authorization Act authorizes the Secretary of Defense to transfer excess Department of Defense (DOD) personal property to federal, state, and local Law Enforcement Agency (LEAs) with special emphasis given to counter-drug and counter terrorism. The 1033 Program (formerly the 1208 Program) allows LEAs to receive DOD excess property.
- Law enforcement agencies such as the Department of Public Safety/Georgia State Patrol, Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Department of Corrections, Department of Natural Resources, Governor's Task Force, police departments, sheriff's offices, multi-jurisdictional drug task forces and fugitive squads, district attorney offices, fire/arson units and more are served by this program.
- The high level of participation among Georgia's law enforcement agencies underscores the value of the Excess Property Program. Currently 910 state and local agencies participate, as do 100% of the 159 sheriff's offices.
- Over \$200 million of equipment has been distributed from September 1991 to present. Georgia has received 4,373 weapons (M-16, M-14s, shotguns, pistols), 27 aircraft (OH-58s, UH-1 and fix wings), 24 armored vehicles, 16 military High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles (HMMWVs) and other equipment such as law enforcement duty gear, boots, clothes, office furniture, vehicles

( sedans, truck two and four-wheel drive, ATVs, trailers), generators, and other property that can be used in law enforcement.

• The 1033 program requires a 100% physical inventory of all DEMIL required property be conducted annually. In addition, there is a requirement to conduct annual training and renew Memorandum of Agreements (MOAs) between the agencies and Excess Property.

# 1033 Program Equipment (Small list of types of property)

TYPE OF EQUIPMENT	QUANITITY
AIRCRAFT (Fix Wings, OH-58's, OH-6's and UH-1's)	27
Armor Vehicles (Peace Keeper's and armor tracks)	24
Weapons (M-14, M-16, M-79 Rifles and Shotguns and .35 , .45 Caliber Pistols)	4,373
High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV)	18
Watercraft	7
Night Vision	389
Body Armor	3,824
Helmet, Kevlar	26,331
Vehicles (cars, trucks, SUVs, buses and trailers)	Over 2,000

## **1122 Procurement Program**

**1122 Program:** The National Defense Authorization Act authorizes state and local governments to purchase law enforcement equipment suitable for counter-drug activities, to include equipment for homeland security and emergency response activities through the federal government. The 1122 program allows state and local governments the opportunities to take advantage of the discount available to the federal government due to its large volume purchase.

- Law enforcement agencies such as the Georgia Aviation Authority, Department of Public Safety/Georgia State Patrol, Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Department of Corrections, Department of Natural Resources, Governor's Task Force, police departments, sheriff's offices, multi-jurisdictional drug task forces and fugitive squads, district attorneys' offices, fire/arson units and more are served by this program.
- The high level of participation among Georgia's law enforcement agencies underscores the value of the Excess Property program. Currently, 910 state and local agencies participate.
- Over \$46 million of equipment has been purchased through the program from October 1995 to present. Type of items purchase; law enforcement and security equipment, marine craft and equipment, power distribution equipment, generators, and batteries, professional audio/video, telemetry/tracking, recording/reproducing, and signal data Solutions, photographic equipment cameras, photographic printers and related supplies and services (digital and film-based), office, imaging, and document solution, mission oriented business integrated services training, general purpose commercial information technology equipment, software, and services, office

products/supplies and services and new products/technology, sports, promotional, outdoor, recreational, trophies, and signs, vehicles (sedans, trucks, SUVs, command post), ATVs.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

The Human Resources Division provides human resources services including recruitment, job development, compensation analysis, policy consultation, personnel transactions/benefits processing, employee relations and career development for more than 1,600 employees of the Department of Public Safety. In addition, four agencies with more than 225 positions/employees which include Georgia Public Safety Training Center, Georgia Peace Officers Standards and Training Council, Georgia Firefighters Standards and Training Council, and the Governor's Office of Highway Safety who are administratively attached to DPS.

**Director's Office**: The director provides overall direction, leadership, and management of the agency's human resources services to support the department's mission, goals and workforce needs. The director provides consultation to the leadership and management on workforce related matters, and works closely with Legal Services to ensure compliance with departmental policies, state personnel board rules, and federal and state laws.

**Employment and Career Development:** The Human Resources Division works closely with hiring managers to attract and retain a qualified workforce. Human Resources staff conducts targeted recruitments, assesses and communicates with job applicants as they move through the hiring process, and participates in interview and selection processes. Human Resources staff compiles applicant data and works closely with the Office of Professional Standards to process applicants through background investigations. In an effort to continuously provide opportunities for growth and advancement for sworn personnel, testing and assessment centers are coordinated through Human Resources in partnership with the University of Georgia.

**Employee Relations:** The Human Resources Division is responsible for helping to increase the effectiveness of the Georgia Department of Public Safety by developing and supporting efforts to improve the employee-management relations climate within the department. This is done by providing programs, such as the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and the Critical Incident Support Team, to address critical workforce needs and by consulting with individual employees and managers to address specific workplace issues. Internally, issues are raised by either employees or managers and are most often initiated in disciplinary actions, complaints, grievances, the request for review of a performance evaluation and charges of discrimination. Externally, the unit responds to actions filed with the Georgia Committee on Equal Opportunity (GCEO), the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), the Georgia Department of Labor, and the State Personnel Board, as well as state and federal courts. Formal investigations are often conducted in order to address both internal and external complaints.

**Employee Benefits and Transaction Services**: Throughout the year Human Resources responds to numerous requests for information related to benefits and assists employees in resolving benefit problems. Human Resources staff processes the actions that are administered throughout the department and the attached agencies, including employee transfers, promotions, new hires and terminations. Employment records, which includes the personnel file (201), confidential file (beneficiary, medical and health related information), Worker's Compensation files, and separated employee files are maintained and stored in this section. Human Resources is responsible for maintaining accurate leave balances for all employees and providing support and consultation to managers to ensure timely and accurate time-keeping records are kept according to state and federal laws.

**Training Services:** Human Resources staff provides technical training in human resources related topics in support of the training division and the command staff of the agency. Topic areas include Unlawful Harassment Prevention, Discipline, and Performance Management.

#### PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

The Public Information Office (PIO) serves as the liaison for the Department of Public Safety to the news media and citizens of Georgia. This office consists of three units: Documents, Graphics and Publications. The Public Information Office staff provides research and clearance for media inquiries and interview requests for 49 Georgia State Patrol posts, nine Motor Carrier Compliance regions, including the Statewide School Bus Safety Region 10, and Capitol Police.

The PIO Director manages the daily operations in the Public Information Office, maintains the retiree notification system, and compiles quarterly GOHS/NHTSA data for statewide seatbelt, child restraint and DUI enforcement campaigns. The director coordinates the dissemination of information to members of the command staff of working significant incidents/crashes utilizing the group paging system.

Additionally, the director represents the department on the Governor's Public Safety Awards Committee, serves as a member of the Public Safety Memorial Committee, coordinates the department awards program and responds to media inquiries. The director also prepares news releases for the six major holiday periods, specialized enforcement campaigns, and other releases as needed each year. He also conducts a training course in media relations to trooper cadets during GSP Trooper School.

PIO serves as the central filing, storage and retrieval of evidence photos, videotapes and documents from all GSP, MCCD, and Capitol Police field operations. All PIO staff members are designated as custodians of public record. Documents received and filed over 1,900 types of evidence and completed more than 1,100 evidence requests. This evidence included photographs, videos, crash and incident reports, SCRT reports, subpoenas, requests for production of documents, and other documentation. The Documents and Graphics Units also completed requests from the Open Records Units which included photograph and CD/DVD duplication.

Publications is responsible for the production of the department's quarterly newsletter, the DPS Annual Report, special projects and the Department of Public Safety website. This unit also provides special assistance in coordinating departmental submissions for the Georgia Governor's Challenge and the International Association of Chief's of Police (IACP) awards programs.

#### **HEADQUARTERS ADJUTANT**

#### **Administrative Services Division**

The DPS Administrative or General Services Division is responsible for providing support services to all divisions of The Department of Public Safety. Those services include, but are not limited to: Fleet Management/Vehicle Services, DPS Radio Shop, Physical Property Inventory, Supply, Headquarters Maintenance, Risk Management Claims Service, and coordinating and managing new post design and construction as well as maintenance of existing structures and grounds. General Services personnel are often tasked with unexpected or specialized support duties such as arranging for posts or units to acquire needed items through the State Surplus Property Program, moving and sometimes storing furniture, emergency quartering, to name a few.

**Property Section:** The Property Management Unit is responsible for maintaining an inventory for the Department of Public Safety. This includes DPS Headquarters, 49 state patrol posts, 10 Motor Carrier Compliance Division regions, Aviation, and Capitol Police, as well as various specialty units and administratively attached agencies.

All assets purchased, donated and/or transferred with an acquisition cost of \$1,000.00 or more and all weapons, computers and communication equipment regardless of cost are recorded and managed using the statewide system, PeopleSoft.

During 2011, Property Management processed 1,300 additions with acquisition costs totaling \$13,093,556.28. There are 1,910 deletions were made valued at \$9,674,415.05. The Property Section processed 4,025 in-house equipment transfers and 228 personnel changes. Transactions are updated daily on the property system in an effort to effectively track equipment and to maintain an accurate property inventory.

**Insurance Claims Services:** This unit is charged with processing and filing insurance loss claims for all divisions of DPS. Insurance reported filing 23 incidents of loss claims with DOAS Risk Management that exceeded the required \$1,000.00 deductible. Eleven were due to lightning, three due to water damage, five were due to other storm and wind damage and one as the result of a vehicle fire. Property damage claims from the field resulted in an estimated loss to the department of \$175,592.92. Insurance reimbursed DPS \$159,595.10 for the claims. Our policy deductible costs account for the \$15,997.82 difference.

**Maintenance Section:** Maintenance completed several renovation projects for 2011. These projects include renovation of Purchasing and MCCD. All offices received new paint and carpet, all doors and jambs painted. Upgrades were made to the Guard Shack. Gutters removed, facer board replaced, and the exterior painted. The Motorcycle Unit exterior was pressure washed and painted. A storage room was built for CIU in the old Radio Room with wall to wall shelving built and installed. The hallway and bathrooms for the sleeping quarters were repainted. The Excess Property Program was moved to Headquarters and storage was created to accommodate them in the basement warehouse. Decking was replaced around the cooling tower. Bid meetings took place to get our parking lot repayed. In addition to our main parking lot being repaved, the storage lot for the Garage was repaved as well. Several days were spent measuring and drawing our parking spaces. After paving was completed, Maintenance restriped the parking area around Headquarters. As part of the paving project, the old building housing the recyclables was demolished and a new building was purchased and set up in a more suitable location. Assistance was given to Cartersville in their transition to their new post by helping with the move of furniture, lawn equipment, and exercise equipment. TVs were mounted in their Communications Room. TVs were also mounted at the new troopers facility at the Governor's Mansion. Assistance was rendered to Post 1 in Griffin when the post flooded; taking the small communications bus to their post and setting up for them to temporarily operate out of while their post was repaired. Security upgrades were made at Headquarters. Several emergency repairs were made to the plumbing system in Headquarters consisting of replacement of pipe and valves for our hot water supply. One water storage tank was removed and pipe and fitting replacement done to the remaining two storage tanks. The a/c system was for the Credit Union. Bids took place to establish a new cleaning crew to clean and maintain the Headquarters facilities.

**DPS Garage:** The DPS Garage continued preparing vehicles and supporting the Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance Division, as well as The Capitol Police Division and also began working toward preparing and restoring a fleet of High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles for emergency special purpose use. This was in addition to preparing and equipping 38 cars for cadet troopers and performing routine maintenance, as well as emergency repairs needed to keep our fleet roadworthy.

**Radio Shop:** During 2001 calendar the Radio Shop processed 1,180 help desk tickets involving repair or replacement of two-way communications systems, video electronic equipment, and or computer supported devices up 62% from last year. The Radio Shop continues to support the transfers and promotions of personnel in the field by insuring they have the correct two-way radio systems required by the location of their new assignments. The Radio Shop also continued to replace old VHS systems with the new WatchGuard cameras. We prepared 38 vehicles for the 88th GSP Trooper School insuring each vehicle had a WatchGuard camera system and the correct two-way radio installed for the recipient's respective assignment.

**Vehicle Support Services:** Vehicle Support Services processed the paperwork for and purchased 354 new vehicles for department. Of these vehicles, two were Harley Davidson Motorcycles, 15 were Chevrolet Tahoes, and 256 were Dodge Chargers, 74 were Ford Crown Victorias, three were Chevrolet Suburbans, one was a Ford F-650 Wrecker, one was a Bluebird Bus, one was a Chevrolet Van, and one was a mobile command center bus. There were nine used vehicles acquired by our Department. These included one 2008 Cadillac Escalade (seized), one 2002 Ford F-250 (seized), two 2010 Ford Explorers (transferred from Department of Defense), one 2006 Ford F-250 (Excess Property), two 2003 Ford F-450s, and two 2003 F-350's (transferred from GBI).

Vehicle Services issued 177 pursuit vehicles out during the 2011. The remaining new vehicles are still being prepared for issuance. A total of 315 departmental vehicle accidents/incidents were processed and please note that this total includes all vehicle accidents and incidents including Pursuit Intervention Techniques. A total of 294 vehicles were stripped, prepped and sent to surplus.

**Physical Property and Building Management Section:** New facility construction was completed at Post 3 in Cartersville and Post 10 in Americus. Extensive post repairs were completed on Post 15 in Perry. Negotiations continued for construction of new posts in Monroe and Troup counties.

#### **Technology Division**

The following is a brief synopsis of the activities of the Technology Section for 2011. Although the Technology Section did not exist in its current form until September 2011, reports for each unit currently assigned have been included.

**Technology Staff:** The Technology Staff consists of the Technology Director, Chief Information Officer (CIO), and GIS Analyst. The staff directs and coordinates the operations of the Technology Section. The GIS Analyst provides support to all DPS divisions and units in the preparation, presentation, and use of geospatial information. The GIS Analyst produces maps representing the location of enforcement activity, DPS facilities, and organizational regions.

**Computer Services Unit:** In 2011, the Computer Services Section completed several major projects, regularly assisted users and continued support for all DPS hardware and software systems.

- The Computer Services Section continued to support over 1,600 users, 500 PCs, 1,100 laptops, 107 network servers and storage devices, 83 local area networks with firewalls, 35 off-the-shelf programs, 28 software applications and four major systems.
- Answered and closed over 4,111 calls for user support.
- Managed the purchasing and processing of over \$5,354,863 of technology equipment and services.
- Continued to support the CAD, Mobile Office and RMS (CMOR) project. Imaged, setup, upgraded and issued over 400 laptop computers to DPS troopers, officers and DNR rangers. Invested over

2,436 support hours, closed over 1,871 project related help tickets and worked on over 25 project related tasks.

- Provided support for 1,045 telephones throughout the state. Managed phone and wide area network connections at a cost of \$1,071,527. Phone reductions at posts saved \$23,765.
- Managed wireless communications accounts for officers, troopers and support staff at an annual cost of \$655,622.
- Electronically transmitted 43,867 crash reports to GDOT.
- Imported and processed 26,286 accident reports from GDOT and converted them into FMCSA/MICMS federal format.
- Upgraded SQL server 2005 databases to 2008.
- Implemented three major upgrades of the Online Leave Accounting System including automated data uploads to PeopleSoft, Georgia Comp tracking and grant hours entry.
- Developed a new web based Applicant Tracking system that combined and upgraded several MicroSoft access applications to support HR and Internal affairs.
- Developed a new web based outside employment application for the Records Management Unit.
- Developed several InfoPath forms to automate the promotion cycle process for HR.
- Developed crash log, DUI, Incident and various activity reports using SQL reporting and made them available to all DPS users through and easy to use web interface.
- Developed and deployed a new version release, 1.2.2.8, of Overweight Truck Information System (OTIS) for MCCD.
- Designed and developed a new web application to track flight hours for Aviation.
- Created lists for troop officers and command for taser critique, pursuit critique and monthly inspections. These reports have SharePoint workflows to improve efficiency. This process eliminated the need to mail or 10-5 these reports.
- Continued development of the www.GaCargoTheft.com web site to support the Southeast Transportation Security Council's (SETSC) mission to facilitate the prevention and recovery of stolen cargo in the transportation industry.
- Continued development of the www.GaInterOP.Com web site to support the Georgia Interoperable Communications Project.
- Utilized three primary methods to secure our applications and system from unauthorized access. The department's firewalls at 83 locations blocked over 31 million illegitimate requests. Using the Barracuda Mail Content Filtering appliance, over 2 million SPAM and 2039 Virus laden emails were blocked from entering DPS user mailboxes while processing over 3.1 million emails. To block Internet based malware, the Websense content filter processed over 257,197,000 web hits and blocked over 1,165,640 potential security risk requests from reaching DPS systems.
- Continued supporting 20 Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPR) for CIU and Troop C and successfully installed ALPR systems for 10 HOT lane Officers.
- Migrated 1,750 user mailboxes to new email server and Outlook Web Access server.
- Installed updated failover systems for all major DPS applications (Mail, SQL databases, domain controller and general files) at disaster recovery site in Gainesville.
- Continued technical support of the WatchGuard in-car Video system and provided users with technical support for damaged systems and disks.

**Communications Unit:** The Communications Unit is responsible for the procurement, installation, maintenance and repair of the department's land mobile radio (LMR) system. This includes all mobile and portable radios, as well as the towers and transmitters located throughout the state. Communications Unit personnel also support the operation of the troop communications centers by offering expert assistance with the CAD/RMS system, GCIC/NCIC rules and regulations, and the development of standard operating procedures for communications activities.

In addition to the DPS radio system, the Communications Director serves as the Interoperability Project coordinator, focusing on the installation and operation of the Georgia Interoperability Network (GIN). The GIN is the Homeland Security initiative to provide communications between public safety answering points (PSAPs) and Georgia State Patrol dispatch centers. During 2011, the director completed relocating Georgia State Patrol Troops A and G Communications Centers to new posts and conducted over 30 site walks and/or Motobridge installations at county 911 centers. During these county site visits, he instructed over 120 county PSAP employees in the operations of the GIN system. The GIN on-line training system trained more than 700 county PSAP personnel this year. The director also acted as the Communications Unit Leader (COML) at four regional field training drills and provided radio services at Governor Deal's Inauguration. Another major project in which SFC Sullivan participated was the pre-planning for over 1000 two-way radio units throughout the entire DPS vehicle fleet to be narrow-banded and flash-updated by the end of the fiscal year. In addition, the director attended bi-weekly project development meetings in conjunction with Georgia Tech Research Institute and the Motobridge product team. mitigated five insurance claims involving GIN equipment this year. He maintained 24 hour accessibility by customers throughout the year, answering hundreds of service calls and inquiries beyond the workday schedule.

#### **GEMA/Homeland Security Liaison**

The responsibilities for the GEMA/Homeland Security Liaison include attending all emergency management, Homeland Security and other meetings designated by the Commissioner and/or Command Staff. The Liaison serves on committees and subcommittees coordinating the department's roles and responsibilities for potential manmade and/or natural disasters. The Liaison represents the department at hurricane related conferences in and out of state as well as assists with disaster related training exercises. The Liaison will occupy the state operations center during a declared state of emergency and coordinate the department's efforts in the recovery phase of the emergency. Departmental knowledge, professionalism and diplomacy are vital as the Liaison interacts with high level federal, state, local, business and civilian personnel.

The liaison serves on the Child Abduction Recovery Team (CART). CART is made up of 9 state agencies that responds to abducted, missing, or run-a-way children. These agencies provide support to the local law enforcement agency in the recovery of the child.

The liaison also serves on the Child Exploitation and Computer Task Force (ICAC) and coordinates efforts to serve arrest warrants on internet predators against children.

#### **2011 Activities:**

Major activities and events for 2011 include:

- ✓ Homeland Security Task Force meetings
- ✓ Hurricane preparedness meetings/exercises
- ✓ Monitor and assist with South GA Fires
- ✓ In December, CART was activated to a missing 7-year old female at an apartment complex in Canton, Georgia. Four hours after CART initiated the hunt for the young girl, she was found in the apartment dumpster. Two days later the perpetrator was arrested and confessed to the crime.



#### GEORGIA STATE PATROL

Although focused primarily on the enforcement of traffic laws and investigation of traffic crashes, the Georgia State Patrol supports the efforts of all public safety agencies to reduce criminal activity, apprehend those involved, and respond to natural and manmade disasters. Public safety is a 24-hour responsibility. Stranded motorists and motor vehicle crashes require that troopers work around the clock. As of December 31, there were 781 troopers.

The Georgia State Patrol is divided into 49 patrol posts within 10 geographic troops and six specialized units, including Criminal Interdiction, Implied Consent, Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team (SCRT), Specialized Weapons and Tactics (SWAT), GSP Dive Team, Governor's Task Force, and the Regional K-9 Task Force. The command officer and his staff are located at the Department of Public Safety Headquarters in Atlanta.



#### **Troop A**

Troop A covers northwest Georgia, with most of the territory lying north of I-20 and west of I-75. As of December 31, 2012, Troop A has seven posts, four of which have territory bordering Alabama or Tennessee. Troop A also has a Troop communications center which handles all radio and computer traffic for Troop A troopers, as well as DNR rangers and MCCD officers assigned to this area.

- Post 3 Cartersville (Bartow and Paulding counties)
- Post 5 Dalton (Whitfield and Catoosa counties)
- Post 28 Jasper (Pickens and Cherokee counties)
- Post 29 Cedartown (Polk and Haralson counties)
- Post 38 Rome (Chatooga and Floyd counties)
- Post 41 Lafayette (Dade and Walker counties)
- Post 43 Calhoun (Gordon and Murray counties)

Post	Crash Investigations	Fatalities	Citations	Warnings	<b>DUI Arrests</b>	Vehicle Stops
Post 3	3,418	30	8,354	14,863	355	12,133
Post 5	2,084	19	8,941	15,503	233	12,858
Post 28	417	13	3,870	8,688	108	8,744
Post 29	578	9	3,247	7,224	146	6,524
Post 38	429	8	4,218	8,655	137	7,979
Post 41	931	10	5,496	10,420	175	7,719
Post 43	1,022	13	5,069	7,501	162	7,642
TOTALS	8,609	102	39,195	72,854	1,316	63,599

Troop A Command was responsible for scheduling and monitoring over 200 DOT escorts throughout 2011. Troop A actively supports the Governor's Office of Highway Safety through participation in the Mountain Area Traffic Enforcement Network II. Troop A also has individual posts that support the Appalachian Trail and Western Regional traffic enforcement networks. Troop A participated in the 2011 Governor's Challenge Award contest.

The Troop A Communications Center dispatches for several state agencies in the Northwest Georgia area. During 2011, the Troop A Communications Center logged and dispatched officers to 11,075 accidents, 66,137 traffic stops and 2,370 motorist



assists. There were 139 abandoned vehicles entered and processed in the communications center.

The Troop A Communications Center moved to a new modern facility in June 2011. Open house was conducted on September 20, where numerous local 911 county dispatch employees attended. When the Communications Center was first established, there were 23 total personnel. Today, the communications center functions with a chief customer service agent (CSA), five senior CSAs and 14 CSAs.

#### **Troop B**

Troop B patrols 20 northeast Georgia counties. Troop B members are stationed in five geographic locations.

- Post 6 Gainesville (White, Hall and Banks Counties)
- Post 7 Toccoa (Rabun, Habersham, Stephens, Franklin and Hart Counties)
- Post 27 Blue Ridge (Gilmer, Fannin, Union and Towns Counties)
- Post 32 Athens (Barrow, Jackson, Madison, Clarke and Oconee)
- Post 37 Cumming (Lumpkin, Dawson and Forsyth Counties)

Post	Crash Investigations	Fatalities	Citations	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 6	2,484	35	9,870	8,679	194	11,340
Post 7	1,367	23	5,494	6,412	234	7,372
Post 27	635	21	4,286	5,382	144	6,069
Post 32	1,389	22	5,988	7,542	257	8,020
Post 37	902	14	3,335	4,110	174	5,005
TOTALS	6,777	115	28,973	32,125	1,003	37,806

Troop B was awarded second place in the Georgia State Patrol Troop Division of the Georgia Governor's Challenge banquet held in Macon in September 2011. Thirteen troopers from Troop B received recognition by the Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) organization. One trooper received a red pin award for over 150 DUIs and 12 troopers received a bronze pin.

Troop B Command coordinated the Georgia State Patrol's participation in the 2011 Police Unity Tour: a 250 mile bicycle ride from Portsmouth, VA to Washington, DC. Troopers from Troop B troopers the 250 mile ride in honor of Cpl. Chad LeCroy who died in the line of duty in 2011.

In April, Troop B was assigned security and traffic detail when a tornado struck Rabun County closing roads and doing extensive property damage.

Troop B had classroom training on the MDT/ Tactics on Technology for the in car computers, Training on the Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) forms, and Pursuit Liability Training. Troopers also had their annual Firearms In-Service and Physical Training/Defensive Training (PT/DT). Ten troopers from had a 40- hour class on Crisis Intervention Training.

Troop B was the first Troop of the Georgia State Patrol in which all troopers were certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians. Fourteen troopers were certified as technicians and 23 troopers were recertified as technicians in 2011. Troopers assisted Safe Kids and the health departments in the territory in distributing federally approved booster seats to parents and educating them on the proper installation.

Four troopers were assigned to the security details for the University of Georgia football program. Troopers from Troop B coordinated and managed the traffic detail for all UGA home football games.

During the Rolling Thunder detail in February, March, and April, Troop B Troopers along with other law enforcement agencies, concentrated on Speed, Seatbelt, and DUI enforcement.

Troop B assisted local law enforcement in the search of two murders suspect, one in January and the other in March, as well as four bank robbery suspects, one in April and three in August.

#### **Troop C**

Troop C covers the ever growing Metropolitan Atlanta area and focuses on increasing the awareness of safe driving while reducing the number of impaired drivers, crashes, injuries and fatalities. Troop C Command oversees the day-to-day operations of three patrol posts, a DUI Task Force, a Motorcycle Unit, and the Communications Center located at DPS Headquarters.

- Post 9 Marietta (Cobb and Fulton counties, North of I-285)
- Post 47 Forest Park (Clayton, DeKalb, and Fulton counties, all outside I-285)
- Post 48 Atlanta (Cobb, Clayton, DeKalb, and Fulton counties, inside I-285)
- Post 49 Motorcycle Unit (I-285 and the interstate system within Metro Atlanta)
- Nighthawks North- (Cobb, Fulton, DeKalb, Clayton, Gwinnett, and Clarke counties)

Post	Crash Investigations	Fatalities	Citations	Warnings	<b>DUI Arrests</b>	<b>Vehicle Stops</b>
Post 9	883	0	5,682	3,760	45	6,086
Post 47	833	1	6,164	4,302	81	7,120
Post 48	1,591	4	6,985	5,276	62	8,742
Nighthawks North	92	0	3,184	3,317	1,153	6,630
<b>Motor Unit</b>	2,042	2	14,054	2,489	34	14,254
TOTAL	5,441	7	36,069	19,144	1,375	42,832



Troop C participated in the following details in 2011: Georgia Tech Football, Georgia State University Football, Southeastern Conference Football Championship, (SEC) Chick-Fil-A Bowl, Child Passenger Safety Seat education and events, US 10K Classic, Annual Line of Duty Ride/Benefit, Council of Atlanta Premiers, 100 days Summer HEAT, Operation Rail Safe, Motorcycle Round-Up, Rolling Thunder, GOHS Atlanta Traffic Enforcement

Network meetings, Governor's Mansion Christmas Tours, Escorts for several dignitaries such as President Barack Obama, and Vice President Joe Biden, Chief Justice Conference, Fallen Heroes Tour, Give Kids a Boost Conference, child safety fair, trooper Lecroy Bridge dedication, 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Red Carpet Tour, and multi-agency patrols and road checks.

The Troop C Communications Center handles all communications for Headquarters Personnel, Troop C Personnel and all specialty units, including Aviation, Safety Education, Implied Consent, C.I.U., S.W.A.T., and S.C.R.T. Teams. Troop C Communications is the primary point of contact for all Communication Centers Statewide. The Communications Center employs DPS dispatchers from the Motor Carrier Compliance Division, Capitol Police and the Georgia State Patrol. Dispatchers in Troop C logged 5,441 crashes and 44,693 traffic stops which resulted in 36,069 arrests and 19,144 warnings. The Communications Center handled 94 pursuits, 604 hits, 218 emergency/courtesy relays, 143 recovered stolen vehicles, 83 abandoned vehicles and 3,872 impounded vehicles. Personnel from Troop C Communications operate the Mobile Command Post during special details or events, emergency situations such as natural disasters, manhunts or any other unusual occurrence or circumstance that its use would benefit the department.

#### **Troop D**

Troop D consists of seven patrol posts. It is tasked with covering 20 counties in the central and west-central portion of the state. There are a large number of state routes within the territory, and many of the urban areas within the troop experience a high volume of traffic virtually around the clock.

- Post 1 Griffin (Butts, Henry, and Spalding counties)
- Post 2 LaGrange (Harris and Troup counties)
- Post 4 Villa Rica )Carroll and Douglas counties)
- Post 24 Newnan (Coweta, Heard, and Fayette counties)
- Post 26 Thomaston (Crawford, Pike, Taylor, and Upson counties)
- Post 34 Manchester (Meriwether, Muscogee, and Talbot counties)
- Post 44 Forsyth (Bibb, Lamar, and Monroe counties)

Post	Crash Investigations	Fatalities	Citations	Warnings	<b>DUI Arrests</b>	<b>Vehicle Stops</b>
Post 1	1,048	13	4,133	5,057	180	6,282
Post 2	1,149	11	6,956	7,070	185	8,587
Post 4	4,043	27	6,975	13,295	335	10,613
Post 24	1,533	15	5,495	7,408	234	8,447
Post 26	491	6	4,893	7,970	100	8,067
Post 34	302	5	3,660	4,532	140	6,319
Post 44	478	5	6,959	4,195	109	7,584
TOTALS	9,004	86	39,071	49,527	1,283	55,899

Each year Troop D Command has coordinated and executed the traffic plans for the Nascar Spring Cup race on Labor Day weekend in September at the Atlanta Motor Speedway. According to race track officials, Atlanta Motor Speedway has become one of the best tracks for minimal traffic delays in the NASCAR circuit.

Troop D has participated in numerous special details. The events include, but are not limited to the following: NASCAR Sprint Cup races at Atlanta Motor Speedway, Troy Davis Execution at the



Jackson Diagnostic Prison, Emancipation Proclamation detail in Thomaston, Super Sunday detail in Roberta, Operation BEAST, Operation I-75 Slow Down, and several tornado disasters in multiple counties within Troop D.

In 2011, the Troop D H.I.T.T. (High Intensity Traffic Team) patrolled several problematic areas in major cities in troop territory. Due to manpower and fuel constraints, the team was only deployed on a limited number of patrols this year.

One of Troop D's greatest humanitarian efforts was the partnership with the United States Marines Toys to Tots Campaign. Troop D collected 7,660 toys and a donation of \$26,005.60 for the underprivileged children in Central Georgia.

In 2011, the Troop D Communications Center processed 81,342 CAD calls. The centralized radio room is staffed with 18 CSAs.

#### **Troop E**

Troop E is located in the eastern central section of the State of Georgia. The northern end begins in Rockdale County at Interstate 20 and continues south-easterly for approximately 150 miles of this interstate to the Georgia/South Carolina line, ending in Richmond County. The posts that comprise this troop are as follows:

- Post 8 Madison (Jasper, Putnam, Morgan, and Greene counties)
- Post 17 Washington (Elbert, Oglethorpe, Wilkes, Lincoln, and Taliaferro counties)
- Post 25 Grovetown (Glascock, Warren, McDuffie, Columbia and Richmond counties)
- Post 33 Milledgeville (Jones, Baldwin, Hancock, and Washington counties)
- Post 46 Monroe (Rockdale, Newton, and Walton counties)

Post	Crash Investigations	Fatalities	Citations	Warnings	<b>DUI Arrests</b>	Vehicle Stops
Post 8	290	14	4,390	5,028	191	6,978
Post 17	264	10	3,673	3,401	164	5,598
Post 25	520	15	6,209	4,218	287	7,327
Post 33	300	14	4,724	6,783	161	8,125
Post 46	1,076	32	6,632	7,684	205	10,283
TOTALS	2,450	85	25,628	27,114	1,008	38,311

Fuel costs and personnel shortages have caused Troop E to have limited resources for special details. It has been a challenge to staff posts, provide patrol presence, and detach personnel out of troop territory to provide assistance to other troops as has been customary in the past.

During the first week of April, 2011, the Masters' Tournament takes place in Augusta. Numerous dignitaries attend this event and troopers provide escort for them from various parts of the state. Also, Augusta receives numerous visits from the Governor and Lt. Governor at different times of the year and troopers provide assistance to them as well.

On September 9, 2011, troopers from each post held a concentrated patrol during the "Border Bash" in Augusta. During this event the following activity was generated: 30 citations, three DUIs, and 12 warnings.

On November 25, 2011, a riot occurred at Hancock State Prison in Milledgeville, Georgia. Due to the personnel shortage at the prison and the immediacy of the assistance required, five troopers responded to the scene before any other help was dispatched to this scene.

#### **Troop F**

There are six posts assigned to Troop F which encompass 21 counties which include in these counties are the Georgia State Prison and Rogers State Prison in Reidsville and Smith State Prison in Glennville. Nuclear Power Plant Edwin I Hatch is in Appling County and Nuclear Power Plant Vogtle is in Burke County. The troop also patrols a large majority of I-16.

- Post 16 Helena (Jeff Davis, Telfair, Dodge, Wheeler, and Montgomery counties)
- Post 18 Reidsville (Appling, Tattnall, and Toombs counties)
- Post 19 Swainsboro (Emanuel, Treutlen, Jefferson, and Johnson counties)
- Post 20 Dublin (Laurens, Bleckley, Twiggs, and Wilkinson counties)
- Post 21 Sylvania (Burke, Jenkins, and Screven counties)
- Post 45 Statesboro (Bulloch, Candler, and Evans counties)

Post	Crash Investigations	Fatalities	Citations	Warnings	<b>DUI Arrests</b>	Vehicle Stops
Post 16	359	12	3,097	5,836	172	4,563
Post 18	429	14	3,071	5,614	193	4,540
Post 19	465	9	3,882	6,404	169	6,381
Post 20	481	13	4,347	8,108	174	7,041
Post 21	317	10	2,915	5,077	180	3,171
Post 45	1,065	19	3,487	5,234	234	5,565
TOTALS	3,116	77	20,799	36,273	1,122	31,261

Troop F personnel assisted with many different special details during calendar year 2012. The Georgia Governor's Office of Highway Safety sponsored several traffic safety details that Troop F was involved in. These included: Click It or Ticket, 100 Days of Summer Heat, Operation Zero Tolerance, Hands Across the Border, Give Kids a Boost, and Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.

Troop F received First Place in the 2011 Governor's Challenge Competition. The awards program, sponsored by the Governor's Office of Highway Safety, recognizes agencies for outstanding traffic enforcement and highway safety efforts. Twenty-five members of Troop F were nominated for Mothers Against Drunk Driving DUI Awards. Twenty-one of these troopers were nominated for Bronze pins, which recognize Troopers who made over twenty-five DUI arrests, and four of these troopers were nominated for Silver pins, which recognize troopers who made over 50 DUI arrests.



Troop F proudly escorted military members who marched to remember the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9-11 attacks. Pictures from "The Ruck March To Remember". The march covered 2,200 miles from Texas to Georgia, then north to Pennsylvania and New York.

Troop F also participated in the Toys for Tots Campaign. During the 2011 campaign, Troop F personnel collected 6,216 toys and collected \$5,161.

#### **Troop G**

Troop G of the Georgia State Patrol consists of five patrol posts that are located in Americus, Thomasville, Colquitt, Cuthbert, and Albany. The five posts in Troop G cover 23 southwest Georgia counties.

- Post 10 Americus (Sumter, Schley, Terrell, Webster and Marion counties)
- Post 12 Thomasville (Thomas, Grady, Mitchell, and Colquitt counties)
- Post 14 Colquitt (Decatur, Early, Miller and Seminole counties)
- Post 39 Cuthbert (Calhoun, Clay, Chattahoochee, Quitman, Randolph, and Stewart counties)
- Post 40 Albany (Dougherty, Baker, Lee, and Worth counties)

Post	Crash Investigations	Fatalities	Citations	Warnings	<b>DUI Arrests</b>	Vehicle Stops
Post 10	298	7	4,587	6,327	250	7,772
Post 12	384	22	5,758	6,299	379	8,703
Post 14	254	18	3,767	5,431	246	5,958
Post 39	143	6	3,188	4,910	78	4,463
Post 40	353	15	6,027	6,623	167	6,072
TOTALS	1,432	68	23,327	29,590	1,120	32,968

Troop G Command coordinated several training classes held in the troop during the year. The command staff also coordinates personnel to handle special details such as, Atlanta Motor Speedway, Georgia National Fair, Hands Across the Border, and the Sunbelt Ag Expo.

Troop G Communications is responsible for coordinating radio and data communication traffic according to federal, state, and local rules and regulations. Troop G Communications performs duties of receiving, logging, and relaying emergency and non-emergency information primarily for troopers assigned to Troop G, as well as MCCD Officers assigned to patrol Troop G territory. In addition, Troop G Communications began handling communication and dispatch duties for all DNR Rangers and other DNR personnel assigned to work in the area covered by Troop G. Besides its radio dispatch duties, Troop G Communications is charged with administering training and maintaining certification required for access to and use of privileged criminal justice information stored in GCIC and NCIC files.

During 2011, Troop G Communications handled 223 \*GSP calls and coordinated 40 medical relays. The communication center received 218 hits during 2011, resulting in the capture of 154 wanted persons, as well as recovery of one stolen vehicle and four stolen license plates.

Communication Center personnel, along with all Post 10 personnel, were able to move into the new Post in May 2011. The new building is located at 113 William Bowen Pointe in Americus. The new communication center was originally set up with four CAD dispatch consoles, but another one was added with the addition of DNR dispatch responsibilities.

In November, 2011, ten coats were donated to Schley County DFCS.

#### **Troop H**

Troop H consist of five Patrol Posts encompassing nineteen, south and mid-Georgia counties. One hundred and fifty-two miles of Interstate 75 traverse Troop H through four Post territories. This is the greatest number of interstate miles patrolled in the state. Troop H is also home to the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter, Robins Air Force Base, Moody Air Force Base, Valdosta State University, Fort Valley State University, South Georgia College, and Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College.

- Post 13 Tifton (Tift, Cook, and Berrien counties)
- Post 15 Perry (Houston, Peach, Macon, and Pulaski counties)
- Post 30 Cordele (Crisp, Dooly, Turner and Wilcox counties)
- Post 31 Valdosta (Lowndes, Brooks, Lanier, and Echols counties)
- Post 36 Douglas (Coffee, Ben Hill, Irwin, and Atkinson counties)

Post	Crash Investigations	Fatalities	Citations	Warnings	<b>DUI Arrests</b>	Vehicle Stops
Post 13	939	14	6,795	11,553	275	11,556
Post 15	1,028	7	6,467	8,168	296	7,822
Post 30	902	19	6,283	8,380	308	9,199
Post 31	1,570	20	9,066	11,583	530	11,022
Post 36	866	28	7,308	6,615	323	6,756
TOTALS	5,305	88	35,918	46,299	1,732	46,355

Troop H is also home to the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter, Robins Air Force Base, Moody Air Force Base, Valdosta State University, South Georgia College and Fort Valley State University. Troopers were recognized at the annual MADD Georgia "Golden Shield Honors Banquet" in Atlanta.

Post 13 had six troopers recognized by MADD for their DUI enforcement efforts in 2011. The Assistant Post 15 Commander, was recognized by the American Legion of Perry as the Law Enforcement Officer of the Year.

Post 30 provided assistance to the ATF and Dooly County Sheriff's Department with security for the Angel City Motorcycle Rally, as well as assisted the SOG SWAT Team with a hostage situation in Turner County.

Post 31 received the "Agency DUI Hero Award" and the "Post of the Year Award" for their innovative approach to DUI enforcement.

Post 36 assisted with court room security for a week long murder trial in Atkinson County. Troopers also assisted the DOT and Forestry with several smoke details in Atkinson County.

#### **Troop I**

Troop I has five Patrol Posts that cover fifteen Southeast Georgia counties extending from the Georgia/Florida state line to the Georgia/South Carolina state line. It covers all of I-95 through Georgia, as well as portions of I-16 and I-516 in Chatham County. The entire Georgia coastline is located in the Troop I territory. Points of interest and responsibility within the Troop include the Georgia Ports Authority Terminals in Savannah and Brunswick, Savannah International Airport, The Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), Kings Bay Naval Base, Hunter Army Airfield, Fort Stewart Army Base, the US Coastguard Marine Safety Office, and the Okefenokee Swamp and Wildlife Refuge.

- Post 11 Hinesville (Liberty, Long, and McIntosh counties)
- Post 22 Waycross (Ware, Brantley, Bacon, Clinch, Charlton, and Pierce counties)
- Post 23 Brunswick (Glynn, Camden, and Wayne counties)
- Post 35 Jekyll Island
- Post 42 Rincon (Chatham, Bryan, and Effingham counties)

Post	Crash Investigations	Fatalities	Citations	Warnings	<b>DUI Arrests</b>	Vehicle Stops
Post 11	326	14	4,014	4,773	234	6,291
Post 22	336	28	2,837	4,158	217	4,878
Post 23	558	18	8,231	11,117	382	13,238
Post 35	53	0	858	2,650	50	3,120
Post 42	281	16	5,461	6,713	260	8,660
Nighthawks South	67	0	2,174	5,873	734	5,524
TOTALS	1,621	76	23,575	35,284	1,877	41,711

Troop I worked on a variety of details and special events. The last three waves from the commercial vehicle safety initiative called "GTACT" or "Georgia Targeting Aggressive Cars and Trucks." Troopers from the Waycross and Brunswick posts participated in the campaign to target high-risk corridors to reduce fatalities and injuries from unsafe driving behaviors by passenger vehicles and commercial motor vehicles.

In March, as in past years, troopers were called upon to assist the Savannah-Chatham Metro Police in securing the parade route during the 187th St. Patrick's Day parade and celebration in the city. This annual event draws thousands of visitors to the area, and is considered one of the largest celebrations in the nation. Troopers travelled to the Annual MADD Awards banquet to be honored for their DUI enforcement efforts and the Governor's Challenge Awards for recognition of the troop's efforts in occupant protection, impaired driving, and speeding.



#### **Implied Consent Unit (ICU)**

Organized on July 1, 1968, the mission of the Implied Consent Unit is to effectively train, maintain and administer the breath alcohol testing and certification program for all law enforcement agencies in the State subject to the provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and Georgia Bureau of Investigation Rules and Regulations. This elite unit is comprised of 15 troopers which are and operationally strategically positioned throughout the state to conduct the daily operations of the unit which will be elaborated on below. ICU members remain on-call around the clock for emergency instrument repairs and courtroom availability. In addition to their regular enforcement



responsibilities, ICU members provide a broad range of specialized services designed to compliment field operational needs.

Tasked with this important undertaking and in cooperation with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, these sworn GSP members are responsible for inspecting and maintaining all evidential breath testing devices in the State of Georgia.

In addition to performing regular maintenance and quarterly inspections of these breath testing instruments, the members of the ICU provide crucial expert testimony in DUI and DUI related court cases for State, Area and Local Law Enforcement Agencies statewide. Members regularly responded to Manual Open Record Requests during 2012, although formal Open Records Requests were almost eliminated due to the transition toward electronic submission and availability of GBI/DOFS records. ICU members also spent 101 hours in court and other legal proceedings, serving as expert witnesses regarding Intoxilyzer operation, theory and instrumentation.

The Implied Consent Unit personnel are also responsible for the training and certification of all evidential breath testing device operators taught at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center and other local area police academies.

The Implied Consent Unit continued the collateral responsibility of conducting Excess Property audits through the Department of Defense 1033 program. Implied Consent Unit personnel also assisted with the federal compliance review.

#### **Criminal Interdiction Unit**

The Georgia State Patrol's Criminal Interdiction Unit (CIU) is a statewide unit tasked with the pro-active enforcement of traffic and criminal laws. During 2011, the unit consisted of four small teams spread across the state assigned to work major interstate corridors. This unit averaged 14 members during 2011.

In 2011, CIU members were recognized for the following outstanding performance: GSP/Criminal Interdiction Unit 2010 Top Producer Award, Governor's Customer Service Award, 2nd place Trophy from the Mantracker Narcotics Competition, and Commissioner's Commendation Nomination.

Criminal Interdiction Unit members attended several nationally recognized training events as both students and instructors in criminal interdiction during 2011. Criminal Interdiction Unit members also

taught an Introduction to Criminal Patrol and a Traffic Stops class for the GSP Trooper School. During 2011, the members of the Criminal Interdiction Unit taught advanced techniques to over 1,000 students across the nation. The Criminal Interdiction Unit, in cooperation with the Morgan County Sheriff's Department, built and now trains departmental canine teams in a state-of-the-art training facility. At least 10 other agencies train their canine teams alongside Unit members at this facility.

CIU members responded to assist communities that were devastated by tornados in April 2011. Members assisted in various ways as requested by local troop commands including traffic control and as aviation spotters.

During 2011, the Board of Public Safety accepted the donation or the department accepted federal reimbursement to the Criminal Interdiction Unit for the following items:

\$ 15,000	Troup County SO	Office furnishings, carpet, safe		
\$ 9,300	Braselton PD	3 Stalker Radars		
	\$ 29,179	OCDETF	Recurring Technology Expenses	
\$ 8,140		DL Scanners	_	
	\$ 4,000	OCDETF	Repair of Fiber Optic Scope	
\$ 5,291	Morgan County	DL Scanners		
	\$ 12,000	OCDETF	Personnel Expenses	
			_	
\$ 37,731	\$ 45,179	\$ 82,910	Total	

**Criminal Interdiction Unit Activity Totals:** During 2011, CIU members expended 70 hours on Crash investigations, made 1,203 arrests, issued 4,304 warnings, made 17 DUI arrests, 64 felony drug arrests, 18 non-drug felony arrests, and made 36 misdemeanor drug arrests. Criminal Interdiction Unit members made 49 criminal apprehensions, assisted 287 stranded motorists, recovered 56 stolen sehicles, and conducted 5,357 traffic stops.

Criminal Interdiction Unit members seized over 170 kilograms of marijuana, 37 kilograms of cocaine, seven kilograms of methamphetamine, and 247 dosage units of other dangerous drugs. They seized seven weapons, located 24 hidden constructed compartments, and recovered three items of stolen or counterfeit property.

Additionally, CIU members assisted other agencies in seizing over 1,808 kilograms of marijuana, 443 kilograms of cocaine, 11 kilograms of methamphetamine, and 17 weapons. CIU members also assisted with joint operations such as search warrants and sting operations where Criminal Interdiction Unit members assisted in seizing another 118 kilograms of marijuana, 265 kilograms of cocaine, 18 kilograms of methamphetamine, and 15,000 dosage units of other dangerous drugs.

In total, the Criminal Interdiction Unit members initiated or assisted in making a total monetary impact of more than \$52,474,795 against organized crime elements operating in Georgia.

**Immigration and Customs Enforcement (287g program):** In compliance with a new Georgia law that took effect July 1, 2007, three members of the Criminal Interdiction Unit and 11 troopers from around the state completed the first Immigration and Customs Enforcement Academy to be held in Georgia. This academy graduation gives the graduates full authority to enforce the U.S. Immigration laws while in the performance of their routine duties.

**Counter-Terrorist Task Force:** The Criminal Interdiction Unit continues to be a core component of the state's Counter-Terrorist Task Force. During 2011. CIU members received advanced training on weapons, and received training in other counter-terrorism related issues. Additionally, there are two troopers from each troop area that are also assigned to the Counter-Terrorist Task Force and fall under partial Criminal Interdiction Unit control during any designated operations.

#### **SWAT AND DIVE TEAM**

The State of Georgia SWAT Team was requested to assist with 29 critical incidents during 2011. Some of the incidents were resolved prior to our team's arrival, by the requesting agency, others lasted hours. One surveillance detail lasted several days. The majority of the requests were to assist with a barricaded gunman or a hostage situation. Others ranged from woodland searches, VIP security details, warrant services for other government agencies, as well as special requests for security details. Each incident was resolved without any harm to a hostage, a team member, or a suspect by our team. The State of Georgia Dive Team was requested eight times during 2011. The majority of requests were to recover a drowning victim. Some recoveries lasted several days; one dive mission lasted 14 days. The mission of the Dive Team is to assist other agencies with critical incidents, recoveries or any other special need which requires working in water. The Dive Team obtained two special boats through the grant process. This addition has greatly improved the capabilities of our Team.

It is the intent of the State of Georgia SWAT Team to provide a highly trained and skilled tactical team as a resource for all law enforcement agencies in the State of Georgia in resolving critical incidents.

#### SPECIALIZED COLLISION RECONSTRUCTION TEAM (SCRT)

The main mission of the Georgia State Patrol's Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team (SCRT) is to provide a means by which fatal crashes can be investigated thoroughly by specially trained investigators and properly document evidence in collisions to be used for successful court prosecution. SCRT also gathers statistics in order to save lives by avoiding future collisions.

SCRT currently has five teams of specially trained investigators strategically stationed in the cities of Calhoun, Gainesville, Forsyth, Reidsville and Valdosta to assist the field troopers with investigating fatal crashes. These teams consist of six investigator positions whose personnel are equipped with the latest technology and are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. SCRT is also responsible for assisting allied agencies in the investigation of major incidents including homicide cases, officer involved shootings, fatal crashes and air disasters.

In addition to our accident reconstruction duties, SCRT members attended countless hours of training in 2011, and continued to instruct crash reconstruction courses to field troopers throughout the year.

SCRT personnel assigned to training, as well as instructors assigned to teams participated in a variety of training session throughout this year, including trooper schools. Team members also participated in crash reconstruction instruction presentations (Recon I – 2 - 40 hours; Recon II – 2 - 40 hours; Recon IV – 40 hours; Recon V – 40 hours). Team members also conducted crash practical exercises for the trooper schools.



#### **HONOR GUARD**

The Georgia State Patrol Honor Guard represents the State of Georgia and the Department of Public Safety at events such as funerals, memorial services, opening ceremonies, post dedications, and other special details where color guards are required or deemed appropriate.

The Georgia State Patrol Honor Guard participated in 66 details during 2011. Honor Guard members represented the State of Georgia, Georgia Department of Public Safety and the Georgia State Patrol in 31 Presentation of Colors details and 32 Funerals/Memorial Services.

Honor Guard members also participated in the State Law Enforcement Memorial ceremony on May 29, 2011, at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center. The Georgia Public Safety Memorial Wall was established to recognize Georgia's Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Corrections Officers, Emergency Medical Technicians and Emergency Management Agency Personnel who lost their lives while on active duty. Members also participated in the opening ceremony of the 5K Run for Wounded Warriors in Savannah on October 22, 2011, as well as the Moving Vietnam Wall and the Relay for Life in May 2011.

#### MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIANCE DIVISION



The primary focus of Motor Carrier Compliance Division is the enhancement of highway safety in regards to commercial motor vehicles. MCCD officers perform in-depth complex safety inspections of the commercial vehicle, its operator, and the load to ensure that they pose no identifiable risk to the safety of the motoring public.

**Size and Weight Enforcement:** Enforcement of laws and regulations relating to size and weight of commercial motor vehicles and loads are provided for in Article 2 of Chapter 6 of title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. The operation of 19 permanent weigh/inspection stations provides enforcement coverage on the interstates and related by-pass routes. The utilization of 75-man portable weigh/inspection

teams allows for monitoring and enforcement efforts on other roadways within the state.

**Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Program:** The Commercial Vehicle Safety Program is outlined in the Commercial Vehicle Safety Plan (CVSP), our annual Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) grant statement to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). The CVSP contains five required program areas: Driver/Vehicle Inspections, Traffic Enforcement, Compliance Reviews, Public Information/Education, and Data Collection. The Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit of the DPS/MCCD consists of 16 Georgia State troopers who are trained to conduct MCSAP inspections.

Compliance Review Program (Investigation and Safety Analysis): This program is one of the five elements of the MCSAP plan. The Compliance Review unit consists of eight compliance review officers that are cross trained to conduct safety audits and conduct both interstate and intrastate safety compliance reviews. These on-site examinations of motor carrier operations include reviewing driver's hours of service, maintenance and inspection of vehicles, driver qualification files, controlled substance and alcohol testing, CDL requirements, financial responsibility, accidents, hazardous materials, and other safety and transportation records. This review is intended to provide information to evaluate the safety performance and regulatory compliance of a company's operation. This unit is also responsible for the preparation of civil penalty cases for prosecution of serious safety violations found during these reviews. All compliance review officers are trained in Compliance, Safety, and Accountability (CSA). One officer has been selected as an Investigation and Safety Analysis (formally known as Compliance Review) Instructor and teaches this course nationwide.

**New Entrant Program:** The New Entrant program is responsible for performing safety audits on new interstate motor carriers based in Georgia within 18 months, (nine months for passenger carriers) of receipt of new entrant registration. The Safety Audit Unit is comprised of 12 officers who are also cross trained to conduct Compliance Reviews and CSA Investigations.

**Public Information and Education (PI&E) Program:** This program involves extensive educational outreach by the Motor Carrier Compliance Division to the general public, drivers, carriers, industry groups, law enforcement agencies and the judiciary. MCCD distributes over 62 separate informational brochures and handouts on commercial vehicle safety topics. This information is distributed by the officers at the weigh stations to the general public. Our regional officers work closely with The Georgia Motor Trucking Association (GMTA), and the general public. PI&E is also responsible for arranging and

attending functions that focus on the commercial motor vehicle industry and the general public. MCCD also promotes the Georgia Targeting Aggressive Cars and Trucks (GTACT) campaign that sends a positive message to the motoring public to "leave more space." This is accomplished by conducting enforcement activity in high crash corridors and outreach activities in the selected geographical locations. This project also utilized partnerships with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Georgia Division, Georgia Motoring Trucking Association (GMTA), and various industry entities, state and local law enforcement personnel. The GTACT campaign promotes a positive message to the motoring public to "leave more space" and this is accomplished by conducting enforcement activity in high crash corridors and outreach activities in the selected geographical locations. GTACT videos were produced for use in driver training and with the partnership with Department of Driver Services the "leave more space" message is now a part of the DDS driver's license manual. GTACT distributed 281 car videos for teen drivers, 67 truck videos for the trucking industry and drivers, and nine community outreach videos. Additionally, MCCD distributed 300 20x24 reflective decals to truck drivers for their vehicles. This project is accomplished by the partnering of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Georgia Division, Georgia Motoring Trucking Association, various industry entities, state and local law enforcement personnel.

**HOV/HOT Operations Unit:** This unit is responsible for the enforcement of High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) and High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lane restrictions. HOV lane operations are currently conducted by 13 officers (including unit supervisors) who are responsible for patrolling over 100 HOV and HOT lane miles in the metro Atlanta area. HOT lanes went into effect October 2011. HOT lanes have been assigned four full-time officers patrolling the I-85 and Hwy 316 corridor. The effort put forth by these officers is designed to ensure compliance with HOV and HOT lane restrictions, thus improving air quality and traffic mitigation in Metro Atlanta. These officers also conduct Motor Carrier Safety inspections and enforce truck lane restrictions in the metro Atlanta Area as well as other agency assistance, traffic control assistance and enforcement regarding violations of all other state laws when encountered during the course of their assigned duties.

**School Bus Safety:** The School Bus Safety Unit consist of 11 MCSAP certified officers who are responsible for conducting safety inspections on approximately 19,557 public school buses statewide. The unit also conducts annual inspections on over 600 Head Start buses. In addition to the primary responsibility of bus inspections, other responsibilities include conducting safety meetings and performing commercial motor vehicle inspections.



The Motor Carrier Compliance Division is divided into nine geographic regions and two specialized units. One specialized unit, operating within Region 3, is the HOV/HOT Enforcement Unit. This unit is located in the Metro Atlanta Area at 320 Chester Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia. The other specialized unit is the Safety Compliance Unit which consists of the New Entrant Safety Audit, Compliance Review, and School Bus Safety identified as Region 10. Region 10's office is located in Madison, Georgia. The administrative staff for MCCD is located at the Headquarters for the Department of Public Safety in Atlanta.

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Major Wayne Beck

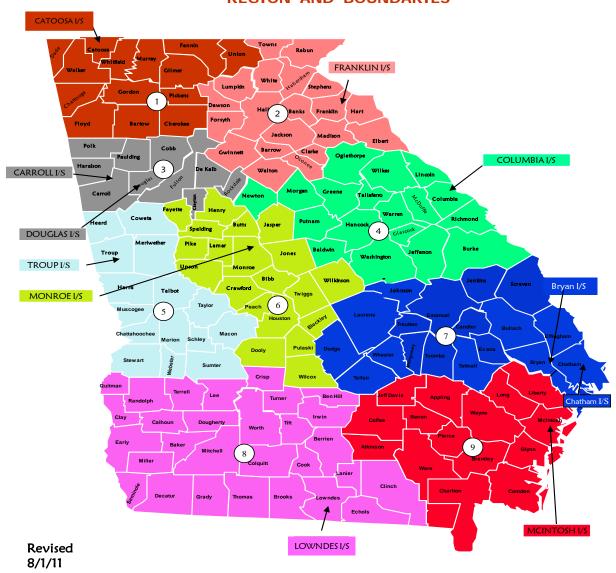
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COUNTY OUTLINE MAP
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#### **Annual Statistics**

Department of Public Safety Motor Carrier Compliance Division

# **Law Enforcement Statistics**

# Safety Inspections CY 2011

CVSA Certified Officers	217
Inspections	90,865
Out-of-service Vehicle Violations	12,278
Out-of-service Driver Violations	6,650

# Size & Weight CY 2011

Total Trucks Weighed	7,748,362
Overweight Assess. Written	40,410
UTC's Written	17,465

# High Occupancy Vehicle CY 2011

<b>HOV Citation Arrest</b>	8,226

#### Commercial Bus Inspections CY 2011

Commercial Bus Inspections	1,747

# School Bus Inspections CY 2011

School Bus Inspections	20,634

#### **Regional Accomplishments**

**Region 1** is responsible for 14 counties located in the northwest corner of the state. Region 1 operations center around the Catoosa County Inspection Station located on I-75 at mile marker 343. The region has 18 MCCD officers, five civilians and two troopers. The officers issued 6062 overweight assessments totaling \$1,136,872.50, performed 10,127 commercial vehicle safety inspections, issued 2,256 uniform traffic citations, and 295 IFTA citations. Region 1 participated in 58 special enforcement activities during the report period including concentrated traffic checks in our high commercial vehicle crash corridors, multi-agency joint enforcement details and division wide enforcement efforts such as Hands Across the Border, Air Brake checks, Seatbelt checks, Log Book checks, HM Checks, Leave More Space Enforcement details and the 2011 National Road Check. Additionally, region officers participated in all holiday patrol activities and Click It or Ticket / Zero Tolerance campaigns. They also participated in 20 safety outreach events, including the GOHS Child Safety Seat Program, Georgia Motor Trucking Association Truck Check., National Life Saver event, and Health Fairs and judicial outreach programs to the court systems in the region. The station officers also assisted Catoosa County Law Enforcement agencies, rescue and other emergency personnel for five days during the tornado disaster that destroyed several homes and businesses this year in our area. The officers checked and replaced over 170 child safety seats, provided practical experience through the use of D.U.I. simulation goggles to teens and adults.

**Region 2** is responsible for 20 counties located in North East Georgia. Region 2 operations center around the Franklin County Inspection Station located on I-85 at mile marker 169. Region 2 has 19 MCCD officers and two troopers. The officers issued 4,809 overweight assessments totaling \$862,310.55, performed 8,986 commercial vehicle safety inspections and issued 3,143 uniform traffic citations. Region 2 conducted 32 safety outreach meetings, and participated in 35 special activities including assisting in traffic details alongside Georgia State Patrol for National Hot Rod Associations "Southern Nationals "held in Banks Crossing Ga. And "Gold Rush" held in Dahlonega, Georgia, as well as all UGA home games in Athens, Georgia. Officers from Region 2 held a GTACT campaign in Gwinnett and Hall counties concentrating on traffic enforcement on and around Commercial Motor Vehicles. Region 2 officers also assisted Region 3 in a GTACT campaign in Forsyth County. Officers from Region 2 attended Northeast Traffic Enforcement Network meetings on a monthly basis representing Motor Carrier Compliance Division for the Governor's Office of Highway Safety. Region 2 officers attended various training earning 2,646 training hours.

**Region 3** is responsible for 10 counties located in the Metro Atlanta area, and includes HOV operations. Region 3 operations center around the Douglas County Inspection Station, located on I-20 eastbound at mile marker 43 and the Carroll County Inspection Station located on I-20 westbound at mile marker 15. The Region has 18 MCCD officers, 16 MCCD HOV officers, one trooper and during the year welcomed the addition of six weight inspectors assigned to the inspection stations. Region 3 officers issued 3,324 overweight assessments totaling \$465,630. Together the officers performed 9,492 commercial vehicle safety inspections and issued 1,883 uniform traffic citations. The officers participated in special events such as, safety and health fairs, Click It or Ticket, 100 Days of Summer Heat, Hands Across the Border, Governors Challenge Program, career day programs, public safety expos, truck driver rodeo competition, CVSA Operation Air Brake, FMCSA's Be Ready Be Buckled, and GTACT. The officers attended training on Motor Vehicle Criminal Interdiction, North American Standards. Hazardous Materials Inspection, Cargo Tank Inspection, and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing and Weights and Measures training. They assisted with security during special events at the State Capitol. Additionally, Region 3 officers conducted 25 safety and outreach meetings, escorted seven hazardous material loads through the region, responded to approximately 105 motor vehicle accidents involving commercial vehicles. Region 3 field officers received 3,340 hours of training during 2011.

**Region 4** is responsible for 18 counties in Middle Georgia. Region 4 operations center around the Columbia County Inspection Stations on I-20 at mile marker 187 and 188 Columbia County. The 21 officers issued 3,182 overweight assessments, resulting in weight fines of \$649,002, performed 8,291 commercial vehicle safety inspections having 27404 violations observed, placed 1314 vehicles and 737 Drivers out of service, issued 2,272 uniform traffic citations, 21 IFTA citations. MCCD officers participated in joint effort road checks with local law enforcement, Georgia State Patrol, adjoining MCCD Regions, Department of Revenue, and Georgia Office of Homeland Security, CVSA Operation Air Brake and Operation Safe Driver, Hands across the Border, 100 Days of Summer Heat, and Click It or Ticket. Officers attended and assist with road checks with local traffic enforcement networks including the East Central and Central Region Traffic Enforcement Networks. Also officers participated in the FMCSA 72 hour Operation Road Check in June. Officers joined GMTA in a joint safety outreach programs, open to trucking companies, in an attempt to promote CSA 2010. In addition to attending regular Georgia Motor Trucking Association meetings, inspection stations in Columbia County hosted several events to allow GMTA personnel and officers to conduct courtesy inspections. Region 4 officers also assisted with judging the 2011 Truck Driving Championships held on Lake Lanier Islands. Officers also participated in High Crash Corridor checks once a month in an effort to reduce traffic accidents on dangerous highways in assigned areas. Four officers from Region 4 were trained in the use of the department's performance based brake tester. This new machine assists in determining the functionality and performance of brakes on commercial vehicles. Region 4 officers conducted several outreach programs in attempts to promote safety by explaining DPS rules and regulations, to the trucking industry, governing commercial motor vehicles. Two officers are members of the department's Critical Incident Support team having responded to help with 7 debriefings and numerous contacts. These officers have obtained 4 of 6 required training courses which will grant them an international certification in Critical Incident Support. Region 4 has four officers whom are members of the Department of Public Safety's Honor Guard. These officers attend regular honor guard training and conduct many details throughout the year, including awards banquets, conventions and funerals. Region 4 officers all received extra training of GCIC/CAD/MDT and began the use of the CAD/MDT operating system in mobile enforcement functions. A WIPP (Waste Isolation Pilot Plant) disaster drill is scheduled for the spring of 2012, two Level 6 certified NCO's have attended several planning meeting to help with response teams and perform a mock Level 6 inspection on the day of the drill. All Region 4 personnel attended training on the Radioactive Portal Monitor, which is a permanent resource housed by Westbound Inspection Station to monitor radioactive material being transported. These efforts from Region 4 personnel resulted in a positive impact to the commercial motoring public.

**Region 5** is responsible for 15 counties in West Georgia. Region 5 operations center around the Troup County Inspection Stations located on Interstate 85 at mile marker 23. The Region has eight MCCD officers, two CVEU troopers and one weight inspector. The officers issued 1,202 overweight assessments totaling \$293,125.65, performed 7,161 commercial vehicle safety inspections and issued 2,120 uniform traffic citations. The officers participated in 17 joint agency concentrated enforcement activities which included, Governor's Office of Hwy Safety road checks, CVSA Operation Air Brake, National Road Check, National Brake Safety Week, Click It or Ticket, Hands Across the Border, Zero Tolerance and road checks with local agencies within the region.

**Region 6** is responsible for 20 counties in Central Georgia. The operations center around the Monroe County Inspection Station located on I-75 at mile marker 190. The Region ended 2011 with 15 MCCD

officers, two troopers, and four civilian weight inspectors. The officers issued 5,690 overweight assessments totaling \$1,044,440.00, issued 2,325 uniform traffic citations, and performed 9,898 commercial vehicle inspections. They conducted 27 concentrated patrols, 25 of which were located high crash corridors. Of the 25 high crashes corridor concentrated patrols, 15 were GTACT campaigns. They conducted 25 safety outreach meetings. The officers participated in National Passenger Carrier Strike Force Week, the



Governor's Office of Highway Safety Checks, Click It or Ticket, CVSA Operation Air Brake, National Road Check, Brake Safety Week, Operation Safe Driver, and High Crash Corridor checks.

**Region 7** is responsible for 18 counties located in South East Georgia. Operations center around the Bryan County Inspection Station located on I-16 at mile marker 144 and the Chatham County inspection station located on I-95 at mile marker 111. The Region conducts safety inspections of commercial motor vehicles (primarily trucks and buses), inspects highway shipments of hazardous materials, and enforces laws and regulations that govern vehicle size and vehicle weight. Region 7 operates three permanent inspection stations. The stations are equipped with Pre-Pass and "weigh in motion" systems to screen vehicles. Region 7 has nine motor carrier mobile officers and five Georgia State troopers assigned to our division patrolling side roads. Within Region 7 are three counties listed in the top 15 Georgia counties with fatalities involving Commercial Motor Vehicles. Region 7 conducts "Concentrated" enforcement efforts in these High Crash Corridor areas. They participated in a number of joint agency enforcement checks, such as CVSA Operation Air Brake, Savannah Saint Patrick's Day Parade, Annual National Road Check, Concentrated Weight Enforcement, Georgia Motor Trucking Association Operation Safe Driver, Operation Safe Driver, Savannah Port Check, Operation Hands Across the Border, Savannah Rock and Roll Marathon, Luke Brian Farm Tour Concert and Savannah Area Concentrated Patrol

**Region 8** is responsible for 29 counties in South Central and South West Georgia. The Lowndes County Inspection Stations are located on I-75, at mile marker 23 and there is 1 semi-permanent inspection station located on GA 273 Spur in Early County. The Early County site has an office type modular building and is equipped with pit scales. The Region has 16 MCCD officers, two troopers, and six civilian weight inspectors. Region 8 personnel issued 6,787 overweight assessments totaling \$1,006,752.50, 3,434 uniform traffic citations, performed 7,779 commercial vehicle safety inspections, and conducted 1,081 safety inspections of hazardous material shipments. As a result of these regulatory compliance inspections of commercial motor vehicles, drivers, and shipments of hazardous materials, 37,119 violations were noted, 1,377commercial motor vehicles were placed out of service, and 918 commercial vehicle drivers were placed out of service. Additionally, utilizing Performance Based Brake Testing (PBBT) technology and equipment, acquired in October 2010, Region 8 continues to conduct frequent brake safety inspection details region wide. Region 8 also participated in numerous special law enforcement details such as the GOHS Traffic Enforcement Network events, the Sunbelt Agricultural Expo Motor Coach inspection detail, Department of Revenue's Code Red, 100 Days of Summer Heat, Click It or Ticket, CVSA National Road Check, CVSA Operation Air Brake, CVSA Operation Safe Driver, and an FMCSA national passenger carrier safety detail. Numerous educational outreach training sessions were also conducted with both industry and municipal and county law enforcement personnel. Additionally, during this period, the Region 8 non-commissioned officer team was chosen as a finalist in the Governor's Annual Customer Service Awards. Finalists for this competition were chosen from among 600 nominees.

**Region 9** consists of 15 southeast Georgia counties with two permanent inspection stations located on I-95 northbound and southbound at mile marker 55 in McIntosh County. The Region also has a Satellite Station on Georgia 38 in Long County. The 22 field officers assigned to Region 9 consist of one captain, seven mobile officers, seven station officers, three weight inspectors, and four CVEU troopers detached to the region. The officers issued 2,427 overweight assessments totaling \$ 404,834, issued 2,581 uniform traffic citations and performed 7,716 commercial vehicle safety inspections. They participated in 48 special enforcement activities including concentrated traffic checks in our high commercial vehicle crash corridors, multi-agency joint enforcement details and division wide enforcement efforts such as Hands Across the Border, Saint Patrick's Day Parade, Shop With A Cop, GTACT, Air Brake checks, Seatbelt checks, Log Book checks, HM Checks, Leave More Space Enforcement details and the 2011 National Road Check. Additionally, region officers participated in all holiday patrol activities and Click It or Ticket / Zero Tolerance campaigns. Also, Region 9 officers participated in 32 safety outreach events, including the

Georgia Motor Trucking Association Truck Check, National Lifesaver event, and health fairs and judicial outreach programs to the court systems in the region. Region 9 provided seminars and public information to trucking companies in reference to regulations and general safety issues.

**Region 10's** responsibilities are compliance review, Safety audit and school bus inspections. This region has 37 officers. The office is located in Madison. The officers perform safety inspections on each of the approximate 19,000 public school buses within the state. Region 10 conducted 409 compliance reviews and 1,711 safety audits



on carriers throughout the state. Officers had 121 enforcement cases resulting in \$382,090 in civil penalties. These officers are also required to conduct commercial vehicle inspections and maintain the required number of inspections for certification. Region 10 staff also handle challenges on data quality (Data Qs) on inspection reports and crashes. In 2011, 1,926 challenges were received and 1,923 were closed after review.

#### **Other Accomplishments and Activities**

- In addition to their regular duties, each region participated in special enforcement activities such
  as Sunbelt Agriculture Expo Motor Coach Inspection, Hands Across the Border, DOR's Code Red,
  100 Days of Summer Heat, Click It or Ticket, CVSA Operation Air Brake, CVSA National Road
  Check, Operation Safe Driver, High Crash Corridor checks and Georgia Targeting Aggressive Cars
  and Trucks (GTACT).
- MCCD officers issued 40,410 overweight assessments totaling \$6,977,134.00 during 2011. MCCD Officers also collected \$104,620.10 in delinquent citations from companies on the impound list during this reporting period.
- The Motor Carrier Compliance Division has officers assisting in Mobile Field Forces and 19
  officers in our Honor Guard Unit along with five officers detached to Georgia State Patrol SCRT
  teams.
- In a joint effort from all Regions, a total of 215 NAS certified officers in the Department of Public Safety's Motor Carrier Compliance Division have completed 731 Significant Crash Reports (SCRs) involving commercial vehicles with a serious injury, fatality, or significant road closure, resulting in 379 post-crash inspections.
- 2011 Georgia Targeting Aggressive Cars and Trucks (GTACT) project continued with enforcement waves conducted throughout the year focusing on North Georgia counties. Region 1 concentrated in Catoosa and Whitfield Counties on I-75 that resulted in 2,699 contacts that included 1,074 commercial vehicle inspections, 2,039 driver/vehicle violations, 29 drivers and 97 vehicles placed out-of-service. In addition, 957 uniform traffic citations and 668 warnings were issued. Region 2 concentrated in Gwinnett and Hall Counties on I-85/I-985 that resulted in 1,139 contacts that included 707 commercial vehicle inspections, 1,201 driver/vehicle violations, 35 drivers and 55 vehicles placed out-of-service. In addition, 315 uniform traffic citations and 117 warnings were issued. Region 3 concentrated in Fulton and Forsyth Counties on GA400 that resulted in 2,936 contacts that included 1,574 commercial vehicle inspections, 2,649 driver/vehicle violations, 53 drivers placed out-of-service and 129 commercial vehicles placed out-of-service. In addition,

1,013 uniform traffic citations and 349 warnings were issued. Region 6 concentrated in Henry and Clayton Counties on I-75 and I-675 that resulted in 2,645 contacts that included 1,246 commercial vehicle inspections, 2,916 driver/vehicle violations, 54 drivers placed out-of-service and 109 commercial vehicles placed out-of-service. In addition, 968 uniform traffic citations and 431 warnings were issued.



#### **CAPITOL POLICE**

The Department of Public Safety's Capitol Police Division is tasked with the responsibility of providing primary law enforcement and security duties for the Georgia State Capitol, the Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Judicial Building, Two Peachtree, and all other state owned buildings located on Capitol Hill. These buildings house constitutional, legislative, and judicial officers of the state, in addition to the state employees that occupy offices in each of these buildings.

**Police Services:** The Capitol Police Services section of the division is comprised of 16 sworn police officers that respond to public safety issues, and secure and protect the state's assets, resources, personnel, and visitors from interruption, or destruction. In addition to the day-to-day operations, the Capitol Police Division establishes and manages access and security policies for the Capitol Square area in conjunction with building tenants, government leadership, and the Georgia Building Authority, and is responsible for planning and providing security and law enforcement services for all public events in the Capitol Square area, including but not limited to:



- Public protests, demonstrations, and counter-demonstrations
- News conferences
- Lying-in-state ceremonies
- VIP and dignitary visits
- Political rallies

**Capitol Security:** The Capitol Police Safety Officers control and monitor access to the State Capitol, Coverdell Legislative Office Building, and the Judicial Building. The Capitol Police Security section consists of three safety officer supervisors, and 47 non-sworn security officers. Additionally, the security staff provides assistance to the Capitol Police Services section as Capitol Hill events are scheduled, and adequate security measures are implemented for each event. While most events are held on the Washington Street side of the State Capitol, some individuals or groups periodically request to utilize the surrounding areas of the Capitol for special events.

**Contract Security:** The department also contracts with the private security firm, Allied Barton Security, to monitor and control access to all the other state facilities on Capitol Hill. These buildings include the Health Building, the Two Peachtree Building, and the Sloppy Floyd Building, also known as Twin Towers.

**Detached GSP Troopers:** Due to a decrease in manpower over the last several years, all sections of the division were required to work as a team to fulfill the security initiatives that they have been set forth to ensure the safety of the buildings, employees, and visitors to the Capitol Hill area. The Capitol Police Division trooper staff consisted of four troopers. These troopers were assigned to secure the Georgia Court of Appeals, the Georgia Supreme Court, and area patrol.

**Legislative Detail:** Each year, beginning in January, the Capitol Police Division is delegated the responsibility of monitoring and providing security for the Legislative Session of the Georgia General Assembly.

# 2011 Activity

Police Activity		
Arrests from Traffic Stops	951	
Vehicle Stops	2,293	
Suspicious Package, Persons, and Vehicle Reports	542	
Impounded Vehicles	133	
Traffic Crashes	129	
Calls for Service	2,325	
Non- Sworn Security Activity		
Security Location Checks (non-sworn officers)	21,928	
Unsecured Doors	1,877	
Unlocked Building Doors	112	
Unlocked Parking Decks and Courtyard Areas	164	
<b>Communication Activity</b>		
Duress Alarms Answered	53	
Fire Alarms Answered	102	
Elevator Entrapments	240	
GCIC Hits	63	

**Events:** There were a total of 115 events requiring security and police presence for 2011.



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