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FIREWORKS INTERDICTION

Investigators with the San Bernardino County Fire Department, Office of the Fire Marshal successfully conducted a 2 weekend fireworks interdiction at the California State Agricultural Check Station along the I-15 corridor in San Bernardino County on June 20-22 and June 27-29, 2014. A Fireworks Interdiction taskforce was created with cooperative agencies throughout San Bernardino County which consisted of:

San Bernardino County Fire, Office of the Fire Marshal Fire Investigators
San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department
San Bernardino County Arson Task Force with agency representatives from Rialto, Redlands, Ontario, and Rancho Cucamonga Fire Departments
Cal Fire

- 101 administrative citations were written by San Bernardino County Fire totaling \$126,250 in fines
- 5 individuals were detained and 3 arrests were made by Cal Fire
- 19,880 pounds (approximately 10 tons) of illegal fireworks were confiscated

San Bernardino County Fire will continue their efforts to provide safety for the residents of San Bernardino County with Fire Investigators and Fire Prevention staff out in force during the July 4th holiday. The safety of our residents is paramount and Fire Marshal Mike Horton from the Office of the Fire Marshal "encourages everyone to participate in public display shows or to only use safe and sane fireworks in the areas allowed and to report any illegal activity to 9-1-1".

Visit www.sbcfire.org for a list of firework shows throughout San Bernardino County as well as fireworks safety and a downloadable brochure (under safety preparedness).

Courtesy photos available at www.sbcfire.org under latest news.

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