



2012 Tribal Safety Summit Summary

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Tribal Safety Programs/Needs

- ▶ Education
 - Enhance community awareness & education
 - Reinvigorate & enhance SOAR
 - More use & development of tribal-specific materials & outreach (safety messaging using local kids)



Tribal Safety Programs/Needs

▶ Education

- Identify existing education efforts and opportunities to collaborate at both the individual & community levels –(identify partners & work together)
- Use variable message signs to convey safety messaging



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- ▶ Enforcement
 - DUI “Blitz campaigns”
 - Radar–controlled speed indicator signs in conjunction with enforcement
 - Increased enforcement, need more officers



Tribal Safety Programs/Needs

- ▶ Enforcement
 - “Movie star officers” are needed to speak with kids & public
 - Task force to target DUI enforcement
 - Expand DUI Court(s)
 - 24/7 sobriety program



Tribal Safety Programs/Needs

▶ EMS

- Research project for Best Practices in Rural Emergency Response
- Improve retention of EMS workers
- Provide better education to EMS workers
- Provide competitive wages and insurance to EMS workers



Tribal Safety Programs/Needs

▶ Engineering

- Run-off-the road crashes are a major cause of serious and fatal injuries, need to implement roadway changes to address them
- Streamlined process & coordination for road closures due to weather



Safety Priorities

- ▶ Continue to enhance coordination among tribal organizations, state agencies and counties
- ▶ Work together to improve crash data collection and sharing
- ▶ Increased law enforcement



Next Steps

- ▶ Tribal Safety Work Group (i.e. Emphasis Area Team) will develop strategies to address the tribal safety priorities for the 2012 Summit.
- ▶ Begin planning for the 2013 Tribal Safety Summit to be hosted by Fort Belknap Reservation