

REDCOM STANDARD OPERATIONAL POLICY

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44.0 CHP Notification

44.1 Several types of events generate a requirement to make notification to the California Highway Patrol (CHP). The following instances are but not limited to:

- Any incident that is or may become CHP jurisdiction
- Freeways (any incident)
- Unincorporated roadways
- Traffic collisions involving a school bus with at least one student passenger
- Traffic collision involving railroads
- Injury traffic collisions involving vehicles and other wheeled-equipment on private property in the unincorporated areas
- Incidents on state owned or state leased property that involves a crime
- Aircraft incidents (other than incidents on the Charles Shultz Sonoma County Airport)
- Field units requesting traffic control

44.2 Incidents involving limited access highways (freeways and associated on and off ramps)

44.2.1 CHP has jurisdiction on all freeways

44.2.2 CHP shall be notified of all traffic collisions on freeways and associated on and off ramps

44.2.3 CHP shall be notified of all fires on freeways

44.2.4 CHP shall be notified of any incident in the proximity of a freeway that may affect traffic

44.2.5 CHP shall be notified any time a freeway is closed

44.3 Unified command shall be utilized when appropriate

44.4 Incidents involving public roadways in the unincorporated areas

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- 44.4.1 CHP has jurisdiction on all public roadways in the unincorporated areas
- 44.4.2 CHP shall be notified of all traffic collisions on roadways in the unincorporated area
- 44.4.3 CHP shall be notified of all fires on public roadways in the unincorporated areas
- 44.4.4 CHP shall be notified of any incident in the proximity of public roadways in the unincorporated areas that may affect traffic, including crimes resulting in injury
- 44.4.5 CHP shall be notified any time a public roadway in the unincorporated area is closed
- 44.4.6 Unified command shall be utilized when appropriate
- 44.5 Traffic collisions involving a school bus with at least one “student” passenger
 - 44.5.1 CHP has jurisdiction of any vehicle accident involving a school bus with at least one “student” passenger in incorporated and unincorporated areas
 - 44.5.2 Notification shall also be made to the appropriate city police department for school bus traffic collisions occurring in the incorporated areas
 - 44.5.3 Unified command shall be utilized when appropriate
- 44.6 Traffic collisions involving railroads
 - 44.6.1 CHP has jurisdiction on all railroad grade crossings in the unincorporated areas
 - 44.6.2 CHP shall be notified of all traffic collisions on railroad grade crossings in the unincorporated areas

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44.6.3 CHP shall be notified any time of any rail line incidents which may affect or be related to public roadways in the unincorporated areas or freeways

44.6.4 Unified command shall be utilized when appropriate

44.7 Injury Traffic collisions involving vehicles and other wheeled-equipment on private property in the unincorporated areas

44.7.1 CHP has jurisdiction of all injury, DUI, and hit-and-run collisions in the unincorporated areas involving equipment with wheels

44.7.2 CHP shall be notified of all injury, DUI, and hit-and-run collisions in the unincorporated areas involving equipment with wheels

44.7.2.1 Examples of commercial equipment include forklifts, tractors and other farm implements (may be CHP or OSHA jurisdiction)

44.7.2.2 Examples of non-commercial equipment include bicycles, off-road motorcycles, ATVs

44.7.2.3 Notifications to Cal OSHA shall be made when appropriate

44.7.3 Unified command shall be utilized when appropriate

44.8 Incidents on state-owned or state-leased properties that involve a crime

44.8.1 CHP is the primary law enforcement agency for incidents occurring on state-owned or state-leased property

44.8.1.1 CHP shall be notified of any suspected arson activity on state-owned or state-leased property

44.8.1.2 CHP shall be notified of any reports of explosives on state-owned or state-leased property

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44.8.1.3 CHP shall be notified of any illegal activity causing harm to people on state-owned or state-leased property

44.8.1.4 CHP shall be notified of any traffic collision on state-owned or state-leased property

44.8.2 Unified command shall be utilized when appropriate

44.9 Aircraft incidents

44.9.1 CHP shall be notified of aircraft incidents which may affect or be related to public roadways in the unincorporated areas or freeways

44.9.2 Unified command shall be utilized when appropriate

44.10 Field units requesting traffic control

44.10.1 CHP shall be notified of field requests for traffic control in the unincorporated areas

44.10.2 CHP shall be notified of field requests for traffic control in the incorporated areas when local law enforcement resources are unavailable or delayed