January 28, 2025

Captain Chuck Wagner California Highway Patrol 300 East Mountain View Street Barstow, CA. 92311

Dear Captain Wagner,

We have a traffic problem in our community of Newberry Springs. The problem is excessive and dangerous speeding on National Trails Highway (old Route 66).

We respectfully request that the CHP assist us in once again making this roadway safe to travel for law-abiding residents who travel this road at legal speeds.

Without impacting the CHP mission on parallel Highway 40, we ask that each CHP patrol officer, in their daily non-emergency patrolling of Highway 40, make at least one patrol on National Trails Highway from the (westbound) Fort Cady Road offramp to the (westbound) National Trails Highway onramp. Similarly, an eastbound patrol can start at the National Trails Highway offramp and end at the eastbound Fort Cady Road onramp. These National Trails Highway patrols would add (at most) five minutes to an officers patrol time. We believe that the visibility of CHP officers on National Trails Highway in our community will serve to help address the speeding problem on the highway and substantially improve traffic safety in our community.

Respectfully,

Paula Deel, Board President Newberry Community Services District