



Administrative Progress Report (APR) May 2010

To: POST Commissioners and Advisory Committee Members

From: POST STAFF

The Administrative Progress Report (APR) is a monthly status report that informs POST Commissioners and the California law enforcement community of recent progress on POST projects and instructional programs under development, and other information of importance to our mission to continually enhance the professionalism of California law enforcement.

POST WORKS WITH IACP TO IMPROVE OFFICER HIGHWAY SAFETY

The SAFE (Situation-Appropriate, Focused, and Educated) Driving Campaign continues to expand POST's influence with regard to nationwide officer highway safety. POST staff is working with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Law Enforcement Stops and Safety Subcommittee (LESSS) on a training video titled "*Is Today Your Day?*" This video focuses on seatbelt use and is due to be released at the IACP Conference in Orlando, Florida this October. Nearly half of all officers killed in traffic collisions over the past decade have failed to wear their seatbelt.

POST staff began working on the project as subject matter resources late last year. Since then, POST has also contributed video content to the video project. Specifically, staff coordinated with Deputy Chief Ed Medina of the Richmond Police Department and conducted a video interview of Susan Moody, the widow of the Richmond Police Department Officer Brad Moody who was killed in a 2008 collision. The interview with Ms. Moody notes that Officer Moody was driving too fast and not wearing his seatbelt when he died in a single-car collision, and highlights the ongoing tragedy that she and their two children have lived with since. This vignette contributes to the emotional plea of the video, which combines with survivor testimonies, statistics, and basic training elements to reinforce the use of seatbelts and safe driving practices in general.

Questions about the SAFE Driving Campaign or the video project with the IACP may be directed to Senior Consultant Bryon G. Gustafson, Training Program Services Bureau, at (916) 227-3902, or .Gustafson@post.ca.gov.

POST AND SOUTH BAY PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING CONSORTIUM CO-HOST A SEVEN-COUNTY TRAINING MANAGER’S SEMINAR

In May, South Bay Public Safety Training Consortium (SBPSTC) and POST co-hosted the Region 6 Training Manager’s Seminar in Monterey. SBPSTC Director Steve Cushing welcomed 70 law enforcement training managers from seven San Francisco Bay Area counties. Deputy Chief Michael Aspland, Monterey Police Department, provided opening remarks and welcomed participants to Monterey. POST Senior Consultant Gabe Harp outlined the purpose of the seminar and John Hughmanick, Stanford University Department of Public Safety, facilitated the two-day event.

The purpose of the seminar was to identify and prioritize training needs, exchange information on resources, and provide feedback to SBPSTC and POST staff. Other SBPSTC staff included In-Service Training Coordinator Dave Davinroy and Basic Academy Dean Linda Vaughn with additional support from Santa Clara County Sheriff’s Department Glen Simpson. POST staff supporting the meeting included staff from Administrative Services Bureau, Computer Services Bureau, Homeland Security, the POST Library, and Training Delivery and Compliance Bureau.

POST topics covered Homeland Security programs and funding; POST Course Catalog Update Project; EDI updates; reimbursements, accounting, and TRR procedures; professional certificates; and POST Library resources.

Retired San Jose Police Officer Greg Sancier, Ph.D., presented training on suicide and law enforcement. Santa Clara County Sheriff Sergeant Troy Boser, President, California Crisis Intervention Association; and Santa Clara County Mental Health, Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) Coordinator Agi Schenley, Ph.D., introduced trends in CIT. Chris Weaver, Ph.D., Swords to Plowshares, and Coordinator Mike VanDerwood spoke about training and services available to veterans.

Training managers were concerned about mandatory training requirements and shrinking agency training funds. Managers want to combine resources by forming regional training committees. Realistic training was stressed. The need for high-tech crimes training and Homeland Security courses was reported. Additional dispatch training courses, including courses available through the Learning Portal, are needed. Managers are also seeking courses in emotional survival and ethics training. A final report of the seminar is being prepared by SBPSTC.

Questions about the Training Manager’s Seminar may be directed to Senior Consultant Gabe Harp, Training Delivery and Compliance Bureau, at (916) 227-4867, or [.Harp@post.ca.gov](mailto:Harp@post.ca.gov).

COMMAND COLLEGE CLASS 46 GRADUATES

The 17 members of Command College Class 46 graduated on May 14 in Folsom. Currently in its 27th year of operation, Command College graduates now total 933. Class 46 award recipients were Lieutenant Charles Wilmot, Orange County Sheriff's Department, who received the Hank Koehn Award for "Most Inspirational Student," and Lieutenant Peter Ballew, San Leandro Police Department, who received the Dorothy Harris Award for his article entitled "'Lie to Me' Meets 'Minority Report' - Improving Lie Detection in Pre-Employment Screening." Class Speaker was Lieutenant Albert Panella, Westminster Police Department. Mr. Cary Simon was the recipient of the Outstanding Faculty Member Award.

Applications are currently being accepted for Class 50, which is scheduled to commence on December 5, 2010 in Folsom. Applications are due on August 6, 2010.

Questions about the Command College registration or other matters may be directed to Senior Consultant Mike Davies, Center for Leadership Development Bureau, at (916) 227-4892, or .Davies@post.ca.gov.

SEARCH WARRANT WRITING TOOL PILOT-TESTED AT ICI DETECTIVE SYMPOSIUM

The Search Warrant Writing Tool was pilot-tested at last month's ICI Detective Symposium. Instructors Lou Turriaga and Alberto Junco of the Los Angeles Police Department presented the tool as an effective and quick way to navigate the search warrant writing process. Students established a fictitious case and then created a warrant with the tool based on that case. The results were overwhelmingly positive and attendees expressed a strong desire to get the tool into the hands of officers as soon as possible.

Staff is completing a second pilot test with officers who are using the tool without benefit of instruction. This enables POST to determine what training, if any, is needed before an officer uses the tool. Preliminary findings from the second pilot test indicate officers are able to utilize the tool with little or no previous training.

POST is making final alterations and creating templates to help format the warrant output by the tool to match those used by each county. The tool is scheduled to be launched on the POST Learning Portal (lp.post.ca.gov) by mid-summer 2010 and to include at least seven county templates. Additional county templates will be added as they are obtained. The tool's built-in auto update feature will enable the delivery of the remaining county templates as they are completed.

Questions about the SWWT may be directed to Senior Instructional Systems Engineer Rich Dunn, Learning Technology Resources Bureau, at (916) 227-4262, or @post.ca.gov.

LEARNING TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES BUREAU CONDUCTS PROGRAM EVALUATION

The Learning Technology Resources Bureau recently conducted a survey asking law enforcement clients to evaluate the POST long distance learning programs. Over 3,600 users completed the survey, providing POST valuable information on Case Law Today, the two-hour DVD training videos, the Line-Up Training Program, and the web-based courses and resources on the Learning Portal.

The bureau is analyzing the data to help direct its efforts in providing technology-based training.

Questions about the LTRB survey may be directed to Bureau Chief Jan Bullard, Learning Technology Resources Bureau, at (916) 227-4849, or [.Bullard@post.ca.gov](mailto:Bullard@post.ca.gov).

POST STAFF ATTEND CPOA CONFERENCE

On May 24 through May 27, the Executive Director and several POST staff members attended the CPOA Conference at the JW Marriott Hotel, in Los Angeles.

Topics of interest to staff included the use of Social Media (i.e., Facebook, Twitter, Nixel) in Law Enforcement, Legal Up-date training, Strength-based Leadership, Criminal Investigative Failures, and Officer-Involved Shootings.

The 4-part series on Social Media was of primary interest to POST staff because of the on-going interest in expanding communication capabilities.

Questions about the CPOA Conference may be directed to Assistant Executive Director Dick Reed, Executive Office, at(916) 227-2809, or @post.ca.gov.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - STATUS OF CURRENT LEGISLATION

The following is a bill in Legislative Session 2009/10 on which the Commission has taken, or will consider taking, a position.

Bill # and Author	Title, Summary, and Commission Position	Status of Bill
<p><u>110</u> (Liu)</p>	<p>People with Disabilities: Victims of Crime. This bill states <i>every state law enforcement agency in the POST program may provide training to its peace officers using the telecourse "Crime Victims with Disabilities,"</i> each time the commission, the Department of Justice update the telecourse to reflect changes in law, standards, and information since they produced the telecourse in 2002. The bill further states <i>every local law enforcement agency in the POST program may provide training to its officers using the telecourse "Law Enforcement Response to Homelessness Update."</i></p> <p>Commission Position: Neutral.</p>	<p>Assembly Public Safety Committee & Committee on Human Services 2/11/2010</p>
<p><u>1899</u> (Eng)</p>	<p>State agencies: information: Internet Web site. This bill would require, subject to specific exemptions, state agencies (including POST), the Department of General Services, and the office of the State Chief Information Officer to post specified audits and contracts to the state's Reporting Transparency in Government Internet Web site.</p> <p>Commission Position: Neutral.</p>	<p>Assembly Appropriation Committee 5/28/2010</p>
<p><u>SB 1062</u> (Strickland)</p>	<p>Public Safety Omnibus Bill. This bill, in part, would make non-substantive changes to Section 13540 of the Penal Code.</p> <p>Commission Position: Support.</p>	<p>Senate Appropriations Committee on Public Safety 5/27/2010 (Hearing)</p>
<p><u>1190</u> (Cedillo)</p>	<p>Animal control officers: baton training. This bill would remove the requirement that animal control officer's complete training certified by the Department of Consumer Affairs in order to be permitted to carry a club or baton and would instead require the officers to complete training approved by the Commission on POST.</p> <p>Commission Position: Neutral.</p>	<p>Assembly Public Safety Committee 5/10/2010.</p>

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<p><u>1296</u> (Correa)</p>	<p>Peace Officer Training: Injuries: Post-Traumatic Stress. This bill would require the Commission on POST to assess the training needed by peace officers on the topic of how to interact with returning veterans or other persons suffering from traumatic brain injury (TBI) or post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Should a need for training be found, the Commission would be required to: create and make available a course for first responding peace officers, distribute a training bulletin on the subject via the Internet, and report to the Legislature on the extent peace officers are receiving the training.</p> <p>Commission Position: Staff will recommend a Neutral position.</p>	<p>Senate Appropriations Committee on Public Safety. 5/27/2010 (Hearing)</p>
<p><u>33</u> (Nava and Cook)</p>	<p>Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training: missing children. This bill would require the Commission on POST to develop uniform, minimum guidelines, and to make those available for adoption by California law enforcement agencies, regarding the response to cases of missing children and the reporting of missing children. The bill would further require the Commission to implement a course or courses of instruction for the training of law enforcement officers regarding cases of missing children and the reporting of missing children. POST has already developed and made the guidelines and training courses available to law enforcement as required in the bill.</p> <p>Commission Position: Staff will recommend an Oppose Unless Amended position.</p>	<p>Senate Rules Committee 5/19/2010</p>