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FIVE NEW CHP CANINES GRADUATE

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) will graduate five canines at a graduation ceremony on Friday, December 11, 2009 at the CHP Academy in West Sacramento. The five canines and their handlers completed 11 weeks of intensive training in criminal apprehension and the detection of narcotics at the academy. The CHP officers and their canines will be assigned to five different field divisions, statewide. These canines replace dogs that have retired, and they were purchased through asset forfeiture funds – money or property seized from criminals during the course of an investigation.

WHO: Five CHP canine handlers and their dogs from throughout California. Also a canine and handler from Bishop Police Department and the Yolo County Sheriff's Department.

WHEN: Friday, December 11, 2009. Brief graduation ceremony will begin promptly at 10 a.m.

Note: Media is asked to arrive no later than 9:45 a.m. and will be directed to the site. In the event of rain, the ceremony will be held in Classroom 12.

WHERE: CHP Academy, 3500 Reed Avenue, West Sacramento

VISUALS: Presentation of badges to the canines. There will also be a demonstration by the dogs and their handlers immediately following the brief ceremony.

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