

NHP targeting people on handheld devices

Between now and April 20, Nevada Highway Patrol troopers will be cracking down on distracted drivers throughout the state.

Any use of a handheld electronic device – cell phone, mp3 player, GPS device, etc. – while driving is illegal and offenders will be pulled over and cited.

Nevada's ban on handheld devices while driving went into effect Jan. 1, 2012, and two years into the law, law enforcement continues to spot and cite offenders every day.

Officers say the likelihood of crashes dramatically rise when your actions require a combination of visual, manual and cognitive attention.