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SUBJECT: Recap for July 7 Committee Meeting

This report is intended to provide a brief synopsis of the discussions and recommendations of the Governor's Advisory Committee on DUII. It is not a complete record of the listed meeting. To request full meeting minutes or additional information, please contact Brandy Anderson-Gillock at Brandy.K.Anderson-Gillock@ODOT.Oregon.gov.

SIGNIFICANT REPORT ITEMS

- Deschutes County Circuit Court Judge Crutchley and Alcohol & Drug Evaluation (ADES) service provider Debra Ruiz highlighted the delays experienced by DUII offenders getting into court-mandated treatment due to the lack of a statutory requirement about how soon that treatment must begin. Offenders are required to complete DUII Diversion requirements within one year of entering a Diversion agreement, but they can technically delay entering treatment for many months. These delays can stymie offenders' success in addressing underlying substance abuse issues, leading to additional negative health outcomes and/or related legal trouble from new offenses.
- 2021 ODOT final crash data was released recently, and it revealed 599 fatalities due to traffic crashes. Of those, 387 (64%) involved at least one driver who had alcohol and/or drugs in their system at the time of the crash.
- Oregon State Police is doing a one-year pilot of a High Visibility Enforcement Unit (supported by grant funds) to address risky driving behaviors in areas impacted by community events and/or in identified hot spots. Efforts will be data-driven and statewide. Goals are to support local resources and to deter risky driving.

COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS / RECOMMENDATIONS

- No action items or recommendations this meeting.

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETING / NOTEWORTH AGENDA ITEM(S)

- Next meeting will be September 8, 2023 at DPSST (4190 Aumsville Hwy SE, Salem), and via Microsoft Teams (link available upon request).