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Collision Severity Summary 2008-17
4,375 Total Crashes

- Fatal = 36 (1%)
- Serious = 194 (4%)
47% Hit Object
+16% Overturn
+ 8% Head On
+ 3% Sideswipe
=74% Lane Departure Crashes
Engineering Countermeasures:

- Analyze horizontal curves for additional signing
- Evaluate passing & no-passing zones; add turnouts
- Clear roadside vegetation in concert with Community Wildfire Plans
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Engineering based lane departure countermeasure

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Landowner installed lane departure countermeasure (installed outside the public right of way)
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Primary Collision Factors for All Crashes 2008-2017

- DUI: 16% of all crashes but 38% of all fatal and severe crashes!
- Improper Turning: 40%
- Unsafe Speed: 16%
- Auto ROW Violation: 8%
- Driving Under Influence: 16%
- Factors of < 5% each: 20%
Non-Engineering Countermeasures:

• Work with District Attorney, Public Defender and Probation to develop 24-7 pilot program
Next Steps:

• Continue to evaluate

• Safe Routes to School Committee Input (CHP, Schools, non-profits, public health)

• Public Outreach and Education regarding DUI
Despite all engineering, DUI is still a problem!