Press Release

Subject: The Safety of Fair Goers is Priority to Yolo Law Enforcement

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Safety was every deputy’s full time-job during the 2013 Yolo county Fair. Fairs around the nation, as well as other venues, have experienced trouble with flash mobs and gang activity, which cause a disruption of services at these events. Yolo County Sheriff’s Office added additional manpower to the five-day run with the assistance of the California Highway Patrol, Davis, U.C. Davis, and West Sacramento Police Departments, as well as Yolo County Gang Task Force, Probation/Parole, Sheriff’s Posse, Cadets and the Sheriff’s Team of Active Seniors (STARS) all in consideration for the well-being of fair attendees.

The Yolo County Fair board reported attendance of more than 130,000 guests for the duration of the fair, and the Sheriff’s Office is committed to constantly searching for the newest and most reliable equipment to insure a safe family-oriented atmosphere. Fair security was facilitated from the Yolo County Mobile Command Center, which is equipped with a camera monitoring system to survey and enhance the ability to prevent crowd gatherings, rapid movement and / or criminal activities.

The Sheriff’s Office reported 7 arrests were made and 4 calls of medical aid were responded to, as well as 22 lost children reunited with their family members. Arrests were down by 25% from a year ago, and no use of force was reported.

“I would like to personally thank all the members of the Yolo County Sheriff’s Office along with our Allied Agencies for making this year’s Yolo County Fair the safest fair in a number of years. Without your dedication and time, it would not have been a family-safe environment from the opening to the

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closing of the gates. This high standard is a direct reflection on you and the effort you put forth. Thank You!"

Sheriff E.G. Prieto