



Informational Bulletin

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Town of Paradise Valley License Plate Readers October and November 2015 Activity

Paradise Valley Police Officers made 3 arrests in October and 3 in November of individuals subject to other law enforcement agencies' misdemeanor warrants. Each of the arrestees was taken into custody without incident and was turned over to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

LPR also identified one (1) stolen vehicle in October. When officers made the stop and investigated, they learned that the vehicle itself was not the stolen vehicle but that the plate from the stolen vehicle had been switched without the vehicle owner's knowledge. The license plate was confiscated and the original reporting police agency was notified. A similar type of incident occurred in November where police received a hit on a plate for a stolen rental vehicle. When the vehicle was located, it was learned that the rental company had supplied the wrong plate to the original reporting police agency. That agency was notified of the updated information.

In addition, a stolen registration plate was recovered in November and each month officers made 1 additional misdemeanor arrest for driving while license suspended while investigating LPR hits.

LPR technology works by comparing an established list of wanted license plates produced by the Department of Public Safety and amended by the Paradise Valley Police Department against license plates captured by the LPR's at all locations. If a match is identified, police dispatch and active patrol cars will be alerted and further action will follow. Officers review the LPR information prior to stopping the motorist.

Privacy matters. The Town of Paradise Valley takes its responsibility to protect the data generated by this technology seriously and has established policies consistent with state law regarding retention, use and release.

Visit <http://www.ci.paradise-valley.az.us/DocumentCenter/View/3986> for more information about Paradise Valley's license plate reader program.