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SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION CLAUDE S. BRINEGAR TODAY ISSUED THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO MOTORISTS FOR THE JULY FOURTH HOLIDAY

The Fourth of July holiday -- and the beginning of vacation time -- deserves a note of special caution.

All drivers please obey traffic laws -- drive defensively -- use your safety belts -- and encourage your passengers to use theirs. Also, slow down -- slow speeds save lives and gasoltime.

Commercial drivers -- be aware that the highways will be more crowded and most drivers are less experienced than you are. For those driving or towing recreational vehicles -- make sure everything is in safe working order and use extra caution.

Our waterways will also be crowded and special care should be taken to follow safe boating rules. Make sure your equipment is in good shape -- and that you have lifesaving devices for all on board.

Make this holiday -- and the summer beyond -- safe and happy for everyone.

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