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Traditionally, Memorial Day Weekend marks the beginning of the summer travel season for millions of Americans. High fuel prices may impact much of that this year. Experts are predicting this will be the summer of exploring our back yards and staying closer to home.

The Bonneville County Sheriff's Office would like to take this opportunity to remind motorists to drive carefully this summer and most important, use those safety belts. In addition, "Drive the speed limit!!" Not only will this conserve costly fuel, but your chances of being involved in a crash are reduced, and, if you are involved in a crash, injuries to occupants will be minimized.

Statewide, fatalities from motor vehicle crashes are down this year from last. However, Bonneville County fatalities are twice what they were this time in 2007. Many local and state law enforcement agencies are presently involved in enforcement programs which target speeders, aggressive and drunk drivers to keep these numbers down.

Please do your part to have a great summer. Watch for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorcyclists. Make sure your vehicle is mechanically sound for traveling.

BUCKLE UP!