



# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## **Department of Public Safety**

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### **Ohio Department of Public Safety to Participate in TSA Security Operation**

**WHO:** Thomas Charles, Director, Ohio Department of Public Safety  
Robert C. Glenn, Executive Director, Division of Ohio Homeland Security  
Colonel John Born, Superintendent, Ohio State Highway Patrol

**WHAT:** Ohio Department of Public Safety officials along with several federal, state and local agencies will participate in a security initiative designed to keep transportation systems in the Tri-State safe and secure.

Media availability, interviews and filming opportunities of the security initiative to include airborne, waterborne and surface assets.

**WHERE:** Willow Island Lock and Dam  
32400 Ohio 7  
Newport, OH 45768

**WHEN:** Wednesday, June 15, 2011  
9:30 am – 11:30pm  
**Departure of Blackhawk helicopters occurs at 10:30 am**

**NOTE:** This is a scheduled security operation, not in response to a specific threat. Media outlets should expect additional calls from viewers, readers, and listeners due to the additional security presence in the area.

Media interested in covering this event should RSVP to [james.fotenos@dhs.gov](mailto:james.fotenos@dhs.gov) no later than close of business on Tuesday, June 14, 2011.