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Heavy Traffic Expected at Cal Poly Sept. 19
Alternative Transportation May be Best Option on First Day of Fall Quarter

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- Cal Poly University Police are expecting a significant increase in traffic on Sept. 19, when the university will welcome new and returning students, faculty and staff for the new academic year.

Traffic congestion is expected during the first two weeks of fall quarter between the hours of 7 and 9 a.m. because thousands of single-occupant vehicles are expected to vie for access to the university in a narrow timeframe.

"This type of heavy congestion is par for the course at the beginning of the academic year," said Larry Kelley, vice president for administration and finance. "The community can expect to see congestion ease within a few weeks as individual schedules adjust and folks begin to use alternative transportation."

Community members are encouraged to use alternative transportation such as walking or using car pool, van pool, city buses or bicycles.

Motorists should expect heavy traffic congestion at all entrances to the university. The university would also like to remind the community that because of current renovations to the Alex G. Spanos Stadium, California Boulevard will be closed to through traffic. The University Police Department, San Luis Obispo Police Department and California Highway Patrol will work together in areas in and adjacent to the university to help reduce congestion.

For more information regarding alternative transportation choices and programs, call the University Police Department's Commuter Options Coordinator at (805) 756-6680.

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