

Traffic Stop Quarterly Report #21: Extended Traffic Stop Indicator Use MCSO Response

The Office has considered internal and external recommendations to address findings of disparity from the 21st Traffic Stop Quarterly Report (Q1 2026) on Extended Traffic Stop Indicator Use (ETSI's). The IRG addressed the recommendations from the following the publication of the report which concluded that MCSO continues to use the ETSI's appropriately. This is similar to past research on the topic (See TSQR 3, TSQR 13, and TSQR 17 at [TRAFFIC STOP REPORTS | mcsso-bio](#)).

Recommendation 1: Review stops that have unusual stop lengths associated with ETSIs.

Action Item 1: Review stops and stop data for traffic stops which have unusual stop lengths associated with ETSI use (e.g., stops with very short stop lengths and any ETSI is selected). [\(Completed, Ongoing\)](#)

Recommendation 2: Review stops that have long stop lengths without an ETSI selected.

Action Item 1: Continue the new process implemented in January 2024 whereby reviews of stops for which no ETSI was selected, but which exceeded 20 minutes in length occur and data refinements sent out if determined to be appropriate. [\(Completed, Ongoing\)](#)

Recommendation 3: Communicate with fleet management.

Action Item 1: Communicate with fleet management to inspect vehicles and equipment associated with a high proportion of stops experiencing technical issues. [\(Completed Q3 2026\)](#)

Recommendation 4: Conduct Internal Town Halls across all districts and shifts on the findings of TSQR 21.

Action Item 1: TSAU sergeants and research staff will conduct Town Halls across every district and multiple shifts to: 1) brief patrol on the findings of the TSQR 21, TSQR 22 and TSAR 11; 2) provide updates on *Melendres* Order activities. [Completed Q3 2026\)](#)

Recommendation 5: Continue to partner with the Community Outreach Division, Community Advisory Board and other community groups through meetings and town halls to share the results of this research and other traffic stop research so they can be informed on the issues that have been identified as driving disparities.

Action Item 1 On June 29th, MCSO held a community meeting in Anthem and shared Melendres related updates as well as information on MCSO in general. [Q3 Update: held two additional Town Halls this quarter:](#)

[Thursday August 27th MCSO held a Townhall in Guadalupe.](#)

[Monday September 28th MCSO held a Townhall in Wickenburg \(Completed, Ongoing\)](#)

Recommendation 6: Continue ongoing monitoring of and intervening, when necessary, on individual traffic stop activity via the TSMR process which has been ongoing since April of 2021.

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Action Item 1: Continue the ongoing monthly analysis of the previous 12 months of individual deputies traffic stop activity, review identified disparities and intervene when necessary. (Completed, Ongoing)