

Ceres police roll out electric motorcycles

Staff reports

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The Ceres Police Department on Tuesday rolled out the three electric Zero DS police motorcycles just added to its Traffic Unit fleet.

The purchase of the three bikes was covered by a grant from the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District.

“The acquisition of these highly innovative law enforcement vehicles represents the collaborative effort of Ceres Police Department, Zero Motorcycles and the Valley Air District to preserve the environment, increase policing efficiencies and provide enhanced public safety services to the community,” Police Chief Art de Werk said in a news release. “We are also interested in the health benefits for the officers by decreasing their exposure to the exhaust of traditional motorcycles.”

The department demonstrated the motorcycles – equipped with emergency lighting and sirens, emergency medical equipment and more – at the Ceres Community Center.