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In July of this year two national "outlaw" motorcycle gangs, the Pagans and the Outlaws, came to the Marietta River Roar where a confrontation ensued. At that time, local law enforcement intervened and monitored the situation which ended without violence. Local law enforcement has recently received information that two or more gangs of these "outlaw" bikers may be in attendance at the Sternwheel Festival with the potential for violence between these groups as a stated possibility. Local law enforcement, as part of its responsibilities to the public, is monitoring and preparing to address any act or actions connected to this potential that jeopardizes the safety or peace of the Marietta/Washington County community.

At this time, absolutely no other specific potential threat has been identified or is under active consideration. That said, members of local law enforcement stand ready to address any emergency situation confronting us in our community.

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