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PRESS RELEASE

Contact Person: Captain Larry Cecchettini

Date: February 25, 2014

Subject: Bomb Investigation

Today investigators from the Yolo County Sheriff's Office investigated a vehicle believed to possibly contain an explosive device.

At about 12:30 PM, deputies were advised of a medical aid call in the area of County Road 124, North of County Road 126 which is located in the rural, unincorporated area of Yolo County, west of West Sacramento.

Upon arriving in the area, West Sacramento Fire found a man lying in the roadway. While trying to treat him, the subject became physically uncooperative. The fire department then requested an emergency response from deputies. While en route, a deputy witnessed a black pick-up truck on CR124 with one end of an electrical cord sticking into the fuel tank and the other end of the cord leading into the bed of the truck. The deputy continued on to where the fire department had the subject. The subject was combative and uncooperative.

After firefighters and a deputy got the subject calmed down, the deputy returned to the scene where he took a closer look at the truck. The wiring protruding from the fuel tank was connected to a homemade device in the bed of the truck. Believing it may possibly be a potential explosive device, a quarter mile perimeter was set up around the vehicle and the Yolo County Bomb Squad was requested. The male subject was transported by ambulance to an area hospital where he remains uncooperative with investigators.

While awaiting the bomb squad, investigators made contact with a female who said she had been out with the subject a short time before the med aid call. The female stated that the male had been acting strangely for three days prior to the incident and for an unknown reason today became enraged and incoherent while the two were in the truck on CR124. The female said the male then began shooting from a handgun into and out of the vehicle. The male had also made some statements about explosives. The female said she then went to Old River Road where she received a ride to her home in West Sacramento.

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As a precaution, the control tower at Sacramento International Airport was contacted and advised of the situation and they chose to reroute flights to another runway. A check of all the residences in the area was also conducted to see if anyone witnessed the incident or was hurt by the gunfire. It was determined that no one was hurt.

At about 3:00 PM this afternoon, the bomb squad determined that the device in the vehicle was not an explosive and the roadways were re-opened to the public. The airport was also contacted and resumed normal operations.

The investigation is continuing.