Press Release

Subject: Looting in Calaveras County

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Deputies from the Yolo County Sheriff’s Office have been providing mutual aid to the regions affected by the Butte Fire. Together with surrounding law enforcement agencies we have been patrolling evacuated residential areas to prevent looting and maintain order.

During the morning of September 12, 2015, Yolo County Sheriff’s deputies were working alongside deputies with the Tuolumne County Sheriff’s Office in the partially evacuated town of San Andreas when they were flagged down by a local resident about a suspicious vehicle. The resident pointed to a car in the driveway of a home that was out of place. Deputies surrounded the home and observed a suspect attempt to flee the home out of a broken window. The suspect, a resident of Oakland, was apprehended and evidence that he was in the process of looting the home was found inside. The vehicle in the driveway of the home was determined to be stolen as well.

Deputies with the Calaveras County Sheriff’s Office responded and took over the investigation.