

## **Humboldt County Sheriff's Office**

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

**Date:** 1-14-2013 From: Lt. Steve Knight

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Subject: Pursuit Case: 201300221

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 01-14-2013, approximately 10:00 p.m. a Humboldt County Sheriff's Deputy attempted to stop a 2000 grey Chevy Suburban for a traffic violation on State Route 96, in Hoopa. The Suburban initially pulled to the side of the road and yielded to the deputy, however it suddenly sped away south on Highway 96. The deputy initiated a pursuit of the Suburban. The Suburban turned onto Deerhorn Road, Hoopa with the deputy following it. The Suburban came across a slide covering the roadway and attempted to negotiate around the slide. While doing so it drove too close to the side of the road and slid off the hillside approximately 75 feet down. The cab of the vehicle was crushed during the wreck. The deputy climbed down the hillside to check on the occupant's status and witnessed the solo occupant climb out of the vehicle and disappear into the trees.

Hoopa Valley Tribal Police responded to the residence of the registered owner and located the owner of the vehicle who admitted to being the driver. Sadie Jade McCovey, 27 years old was arrested for felony evasion of a police officer and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional facility where she was booked. Her bail was set at \$50,000.00.

McCovey was not injured in the crash.

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey Sheriff

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