

Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: 03-12-2013 From: Lt. Wayne Hanson

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Subject: Suddenlink Vandalism Case: 2013-1243/ 2013-1175

On 03-12-2013 just after midnight the Sheriff's Office received a telephone call from a Supervisor for Suddenlink, regarding vandalism again to their telephone/cable/internet service. The location of the vandalism to the Fiber Optic Cable was located approximately 2/10 of a mile north of the south Weymouth Bluff Road on Blue Slide Road, Ferndale. An approximate 4 foot section of the Fiber Optic Cable was cut out and discarded in the brush.

The Sheriff's Office responded to the scene and recovered the 4 foot piece of Fiber Optic Cable and booked it into evidence to be fingerprinted. The Supervisor for Suddenlink estimated approximately \$10,000 to repair the Fiber Optic Cable. There are currently no suspects for this vandalism. Suddenlink has since put a temporary repair on the Fiber Optic Cable to return service to their customers.

This is the third vandalism to Suddenlink's Fiber Optic Cable since Friday, March 08th, 2013. The first two vandalisms occurred in the Trinidad and Ferndale area on Friday. The total cost for repair in the first two vandalisms is approximately \$10,000 dollars.

Suddenlink has informed the Sheriff's Office that they are offering a cash reward for the arrest and conviction of the suspect or suspects that are responsible for the vandalism to their Fiber Optic Cable.

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

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Mike Downey Sheriff

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