



HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Subject: Two arrested in Hoopa

Two men are in custody following a felony traffic stop in Hoopa.

Around 2:30 p.m. on Jan. 3, 2018 two sheriff's deputies were on patrol in the Hoopa Area near Boozer Ln. and Highway 96 when they observed wanted assault suspect, Cory Michael Nelson, 32, driving southbound in a blue truck. When the deputies attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the truck, Nelson turned south on Shoemaker Road and began to accelerate the vehicle. Deputies engaged in a pursuit. Nelson then turned the vehicle onto Telescope Rd. and pulled over into a turn out.

Upon the arrival of backup, deputies conducted a felony traffic stop and detained three male subjects. Upon a search of the vehicle, deputies located four boxes of ammunition and five pounds of marijuana. On the side of Shoemaker Rd., deputies also discovered a handgun, loaded with the same type ammunition as was inside the vehicle, with damage consistent with being thrown from a vehicle.

Nelson was arrested on the following charges: felon in possession of ammunition, felon in possession of a firearm, carrying a loaded firearm in a public place, possession of stolen property, flight from a traffic officer, hit and run with injury and assault with a deadly weapon other than a firearm.

Nelson's passenger, Nathaniel Heath Edwards, 19, was arrested for carrying a loaded firearm in a public place and possession of stolen property.

The third subject in the vehicle was released at the scene.



