



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: December 17, 2010

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Subject: Sheriff's Office Called to Reported Pipe Bomb

Case: 201008050

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Shortly before 1:30 this afternoon Sheriff's Deputies responded to a reported pipe bomb near the Hammond Trail at Kelly Avenue and Murray Road. A concerned citizen reported that a man placed the suspicious object at a picnic table and left. Sheriff's deputies, including members of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Unit, responded to the location. The pipe was black PVC and capped at both ends, consistent with the appearance of a pipe bomb. An EOD Deputy donned a blast resistant Bomb Suit and approached the pipe. The deputy evaluated the pipe and determined it was not an explosive device. Further investigation revealed the pipe was placed there as part of the GPS treasure hunting game Geocaching.

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