



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

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Subject: Methamphetamine for Sales Arrest

Case: 201002108

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Humboldt County Sheriff's Deputies arrested a Southern California man Saturday night after finding him in possession of 30 grams of methamphetamine. At about 9:15 p.m., a deputy sheriff conducted a traffic stop on Redwood Drive in Redway for an equipment violation. The vehicle yielded and the deputy contacted the two men inside the vehicle. The men kept reaching around inside the vehicle so the deputy asked them to step out. A second deputy arrived to assist. The driver, John Makua Sanborn, 60 of Perris, kept reaching in his pockets. The deputy conducted a cursory search of Sanborn for weapons and found 30 grams of methamphetamine in his coat pocket. Deputies arrested Sanborn and his passenger was released at the scene.

Sanborn indicated he had been staying at a motel in Garberville. Deputies went to the motel and contacted a man who was staying with Sanborn. The man consented to a search of the room. Inside the motel room deputies found more than 4,000 pills in containers marked "Stimulant Capsules." There were three different types of pills in the containers, all of which could be used in the manufacturing of methamphetamine. Deputies also found a digital scale and 236 additional pills, including Soma, Vicodin, and Trazadone.

Sanborn was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional facility where he was booked for possession of a controlled substance for sale and the transportation of a controlled substance. He posted bail in the amount of \$25,000 and is scheduled to be arraigned April 9, 2010.

Gary Philp
Sheriff

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