



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: April 2, 2013

From: Sergeant Kym Thompson

Subject: Animal Abandonment

Case: 201301651

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 04/01/13 at approximately 1330 hrs. Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Animal Control was dispatched to the area of Palmer Creek Road and Valley Road, Fortuna, for a report of 5 abandoned puppies. Upon arrival, Animal Control Officers found 6 puppies in a grey Rubbermaid style tote. The puppies and the tote were covered in feces and urine and were sitting in the direct sun. There were no air holes in the tote, and the small holes in the handles had been covered with duct tape. The citizen who discovered the puppies advised that there was a lid with the tote and it was found lying on the ground next to it.

The puppies appear to be Border Collie mix, approximately 7 weeks old. They were dehydrated and malnourished. They were transported to the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Animal Shelter.

It is unclear exactly how long the puppies had been at that location. A citizen who was in the shelter when the puppies were brought in stated that she thought she had seen the tote sitting there the previous day as she was traveling on U.S. Highway 101.

The abandonment of an animal is a crime. Anyone with information about these puppies is asked to contact Animal Control Officer Nims at (707) 445-7251 or call the Sheriff's crime tip line at (707)268-2539.

Mike Downey
Sheriff

