

Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: 04-23-2012

From: Lt. Steve Knight (707) 268-3630

Subject: Large Marijuana Seizure

Case: 201201988

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 04-23-2012, approximately 1:30 p.m. the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office was notified by Humboldt Redwoods Company (H.R.C.) security that two security officers patrolling their property located what appeared to be a marijuana cultivation site. Sheriff's deputies with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Community Response Unit (C.R.U.) responded to the scene which was on H.R.C. property near Dyerville. Deputies met up with H.R.C. security and they walked back into the site at approximately 3:00 p.m. Deputies located a camp site with a Coleman stove, cooking utensils and numerous cultivation supplies. A further search of the area revealed 5, 544 growing marijuana plants ranging in size from two inches to five inches in height. The plants appeared to have been freshly watered. There were written items and food articles located in the campsite that indicated the suspects may have been Hispanic.

The plants were seized and destroyed. The case is still under investigation; no suspects were located or have been identified as of this time.

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539. Humboldt County Drug Task Force can be reached at 707-444-8095. If you live in the City Limits of Eureka the Eureka Police Problem Oriented Policing Unit can be reached at 707-441-4373.

Mike Downey Sheriff