



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: 06-20-2015

From: Sgt. S. Williams

Subject: Stolen vehicle recovery

Case: 201502922

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On 06-19-2015, at about 7:30 P.M., the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office received a call for service at the Country Club market on Humboldt Hill Rd., in Eureka. It was reported that a male subject was causing a disturbance at the business. The California Highway Patrol also had Officers in the area and they responded to assist.

While Deputies were responding, they received further information the male subject causing the disturbance was associated with a green Ford truck, which was parked in the parking lot of the store.

The caller provided the Sheriff's Office with a license plate number for the green Ford truck. A records check revealed the vehicle had recently been reported as stolen out of Eureka. The suspect in the stolen vehicle report was reported to be (S) Brian Mello, 37, of McKinleyville.

Deputies and CHP Officers arrived on scene and contacted the male subject, who was working under the hood of the vehicle when they arrived. That subject was identified as Brian Mello. Deputies conducted an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the stolen vehicle.

Mello was subsequently arrested and taken to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility, where he was booked for auto theft, possession of stolen property, and violating his probation.

Anyone with information for the Sheriff's Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriff's Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey
Sheriff

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