

## **Humboldt County Sheriff's Office**

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Date: 08-15-2013 From: Lt. Steve Knight

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**Subject:** High Risk Missing Person **Case:** 201304140

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 08-14-2013, approximately 10:00 a.m. the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office received a call from a citizen who reported his sister as an overdue hiker. The citizen told the investigating deputy he dropped his sister Anna Maria Rodriquez off at a trailhead three miles out Slate Creek, Orleans. He said his sister told him she intended to hike for about 75 days. He agreed to meet her back at the drop off area on 08-09-2013 and she failed to show up. He re-checked the trailhead daily until 08-14-2013.

He said she brought food, a tent, clothes, backpack and numerous other items with her. She told him she planned to camp in the area about ten miles north- northeast of the drop off. He told the deputy she has done this before. This was her second or third time which is why he was not concerned about her returning to the area, however this was the longest time she had been camping out in that area. She has a cell phone but it is currently turned off either due to a dead battery or voluntarily.

A California Highway Patrol plane flew the area on 08-14-2013 and a team of deputies are currently hiking the trails in the area assisted by a California Highway Patrol helicopter.

Anna Maria Rodriquez is described as follows: 5-5" tall, 180 lbs, brown hair, brown eyes last seen wearing blue jeans and an unknown colored shirt. She has no permanent place of residence.

Anyone with information for the Sheriff's 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.

