Sheriff's Office

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Shooting - Case 201604226



On Sunday, August 21, 2016 at around 12:40 a.m. a California Fish and Wildlife Warden was on patrol on Redwood House Road in Carlotta, when he observed a vehicle and persons engaged in spotlighting deer. The F&W Warden attempted to conduct an enforcement stop on the vehicle when a person who was in the rear of the vehicle opened fire on the Warden. A vehicle pursuit ensued with the suspects crashing the vehicle off the road. The suspects fled into the woods and disappeared.

The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office took over the investigation along with the District Attorney's Office. Investigators from the Sheriff's Office and DA's Office learned through their investigation that 24 year old Shawn Eugene Hof Jr. was one of the suspects. The Sheriff's Office has obtained a \$500,000 Ramey Warrant for Hof's arrest.

Shawn Eugene Hof Jr. is described as 5'9' tall, 150 lbs, with brown hair and brown eyes.

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