



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office 826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA

Date: 08/06/2017

From: Sergeant Jesse Taylor
707-923-2761

Subject: Shooting in Briceland

Case: 201703844

On Sunday, August 6, 2017 at about 1220 hours, an Officer with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) was flagged down by a motorist at the intersection of Briceland Road and China Creek Road, Briceland. The motorist reported that his friend had been shot and he was on his way to seek medical treatment in Garberville.

Humboldt County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched and met with the victim at a local hospital. Deputies learned the following: The victim met with three black male adults at the above intersection to conduct a marijuana transaction. The suspects were driving a white mid-sized SUV, possibly a GMC Acadia or similar. At some point during the transaction, one of the suspects inside the vehicle produced a firearm and shot the victim. The suspects then drove off of the roadway, through a wood fence, and crashed down a steep hillside. The victim then ran for help and was picked up by a local citizen.

The suspects were further described as:

- Black male adult, 6'2", gold teeth, wearing a grey shirt
- Black male adult, thin build, neck and arm tattoos, goatee, wearing a white shirt
- Black male adult, clean cut, wearing a grey and red jacket

The suspect vehicle also had a sticker on the rear window or bumper that may have been a radio station with the frequency starting with "10".

The victim was subsequently flown to an out of the area hospital for further medical treatment.

Sheriff's Deputies and CHP Officers, with the assistance of a CHP helicopter, were able to locate the crime scene. The suspect vehicle had since fled the area in an unknown direction of travel. The crime scene was processed and evidence that corroborates the victim's statement was collected. There was also evidence that a vehicle collision had occurred and it is believed the suspect vehicle likely sustained moderate front end damage.

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 Garberville Station at 707-923-2761.

William Honsal
Sheriff