

Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

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

Subject: Marijuana Arrest

Case: 201304018

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On 08-7-2013, approximately 12:20 p.m., a Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Deputy assigned to marijuana investigations was driving a marked patrol truck south bound US 101 near College of the Redwoods at approximately 65 mph when he saw a Gray Toyota Tundra pickup truck approaching at a high rate of speed behind him in the number one traffic lane (fast lane). The Tundra started to tailgate the deputy who immediately pulled over to the right lane to allow the Tundra to pass him. As the Tundra passed the deputy he saw it was traveling at approximately 80 mph in the 65 mph zone. The deputy immediately initiated a traffic stop on the truck near Hookton Road on US 101. After stopping the truck, the deputy spoke with the driver, identified as Kevin Bourque, 34 years old from Eureka. The deputy explained the reason for the stop to Bourque. The deputy learned Bourque was on probation with a search clause for maintaining a residence where illegal drugs were sold. The deputy told Bourque he was going to search his vehicle and had him, along with his two passengers exit the truck. The deputy asked Bourque if he would find any contraband in the truck. Bourque told the deputy he had medicine in the truck. A search was conducted and the deputy located a bag with approximately one pound of marijuana bud along with paperwork indicating sales of marijuana in the truck. The deputy located approximately \$4,500.00 in cash in the bag with the marijuana bud, along with another approximate \$9,900.00 in cash. The deputy also located paperwork indicating Bourque had ties to property located in the 2700 block of Felt Road, Eureka. The two passengers who were detained were released at the scene.

Deputies responded to the Felt Road address and secured it for a search warrant. When securing the property for a search warrant, deputies contacted two men at the property who told them they were hired to work at the property for Bourque. They were interviewed and released. A Humboldt County Superior Court Search Warrant was obtained for the property. The search warrant was issued at approximately 3:30 p.m. on 08-07-2013. Deputies immediately served the search warrant on the residence and located an indoor marijuana grow. Deputies seized 497 growing marijuana plants ranging from 3" to 4' in height, along with approximately 29 pounds of dried marijuana bud. Arrest warrants are being sought for the two men who were interviewed and released for cultivation and possession for sale of marijuana.

Bourque was arrested for transportation of marijuana, possession of marijuana for sale and violation of probation. Additional charges were added for Bourque for conspiracy to commit a felony and cultivation of marijuana.

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.

Mike Downey Sheriff

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