



CITY OF EUREKA

604 C Street

EUREKA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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NEWS RELEASE

On 9-13-2012 at about 10:56 am, an officer with the Eureka Police Department was traveling eastbound on 5th Street at the 1100 block, when he observed a naked female subject standing on the north curb acting irrationally. The officer attempted to contact the female to evaluate her medical and mental condition. The female exhibited objective signs consistent with drug influence. Other officers responded to assist.

During this contact with the female, she became combative and attempted to assault officers with items covered in bodily fluids. Officers were able to restrain the female on the ground and City Ambulance was requested to the scene to further assist in evaluating the female's condition.

While awaiting City Ambulances arrival, the female attempted to thrust her head into the pavement. Further restraint became required.

Upon the ambulance personnel's arrival, the female began spitting at the officers and ambulance staff. One officer and one ambulance staff member were hit by the spit.

Once the female was restrained on a gurney, the female was transported to St. Joseph ER for evaluation and also treatment for minor abrasions from her thrashing about on the pavement.

This is an open case and charges of assault on emergency personnel and resisting arrest will be sought.

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