

Incident/Investigation Report

Agency: Rohnert Park Public Safety

Case Number: 17-0005373

Incident Information

Date/Time Reported 12/05/2017 13:30	Date/Time Occurred 12/05/2017 13:00	Date/Time Found 12/05/2017 13:15	Officer (RP357) TATUM, JACY
Incident Location HWY 101, GEYSERVILLE, CA 95441			Supervising Officer (RP357) TATUM, JACY
Location Comments SOUTHBOUND 101 @ MENDO LINE			
Case Status CLOSED/CLEARED		Disposition CLOSED	

Incident Synopsis

Charges

1	Charge Type State	Description POSSESS MARIJUANA OVER 28.5 GRAMS	Statute 11357 (C) HS	UCR 35A	<input type="checkbox"/> Att <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Com
Alcohol, Drugs or Computers Used <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computers		Location Type MOTOR VEHICLES	Premises Entered	Forced Entry <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Weapons 1. 2. 3.
Entry	Exit	Criminal Activity			
Bias Motivation	Bias Target	Bias Circumstances	Hate Group		

Property

Seq. # 1	Prop. ID # 413945	Description	Serial Number	Make/Model	
Owner			License / State	Color	
Status FOUND	Status Officer (RP439) HUFFAKER, JOSEPH		Quantity 1.00	Units of Measure LB	Value \$1.00
Gun Type	Caliber	Finish	Grip	Gun Stock	
Condition	Gun Test <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Test Type	Sight Test <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Sight Type	

Property Notes

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Vehicles

Seq. # 1	Year 2018	Color WHITE	Style SPORT UTILITY	Make MERCEDES-BENZ	Model ML55
VIN	License Plate Type	License / State CA	License Year 0	Owner	
Status NONE	Status Date 12/05/2017	Value			
Vehicle Notes					

Narratives

On December 5th, 2017 Officer Huffaker and I conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a white Mercedes SUV in the area of the Sonoma / Mendocino County line.

The vehicle, a newer white Mercedes SUV did not have a license plate and was traveling at a speed of approximately 74-76 MPH in a posted max speed 65 MPH zone.

Officer Huffaker and I exited out marked patrol vehicle and contacted the driver and sole occupant of the vehicle, [REDACTED] Officer Huffaker and I identified ourselves as Rohnert Park DPS Officers and advised him he was speeding. Officer Huffaker and I were dressed in full police uniform including name, badges, and ID numbers. Upon contacting [REDACTED] Officer Huffaker and I noticed that cargo area of the vehicle had a very strong odor of processed marijuana.

I asked [REDACTED] where he was headed. He said he was, "Just heading down south." During the traffic stop I became suspicious of the driver's behavior and his cargo. Throughout the cargo and seating area of the SUV I noticed several large cardboard boxes that were partially being covered by a blanket. [REDACTED] behavior changed when I directed my attention to the cargo area and the boxes in plain view.

Based on my training and experience, I believed [REDACTED] was involved with smuggling contraband and the boxes within the cargo area contained marijuana, more than one ounce. I asked [REDACTED] questions about possessing marijuana within the vehicle. He told me that he was driving "samples" for several people along with concentrated marijuana.

I requested to inspect [REDACTED] cargo, which he consented to. During that consent search I located several boxes and containers of processed marijuana along with concentrated marijuana hash. I asked [REDACTED] if he possessed any type of medical card, dispensary and or collective transportation paperwork, allowing him to possess and transport the marijuana he possessed. [REDACTED] could only produce a homemade excellent spread sheet, which he said he drafted. Listed on the sheet were different types and strains of marijuana along

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with initials. I questioned [REDACTED] as to the owner of the marijuana he possessed. [REDACTED] would not identify any of the owners of the marijuana he was transporting, only saying they were "farmers" that he was helping. [REDACTED] said he was transporting the marijuana to a facility in The Santa Cruz area where the marijuana would be tested for its THC percentage along with other items.

Based on the fact [REDACTED] was not the owner of the processed marijuana bud, I was confident that he was transporting the marijuana for the purposes of sales. The concentrated marijuana [REDACTED] possessed was labeled with a homemade business logo. [REDACTED] admitted that he was associated with a marijuana processing facility in the Arcata CA area.

During this time a California Highway Patrol Officer and his trainee arrived to assist us. [REDACTED] said, "I'm glad they showed up. I didn't think you guys were real cops. I keep hearing about people getting ripped off." [REDACTED] continued to act very strange and repeat himself. I reminded [REDACTED] that we were wearing police badges and name tags and that we were intact real police officers.

I attempted to locate the owners of the processed marijuana located within [REDACTED] vehicle. Each turkey bag of marijuana consisted of approximately one pound. A total of approximately 30 pounds was located along with several hundred containers of concentrated marijuana hash.

[REDACTED] refused to provide any information regarding how he obtained the cannabis and the legitimate business the marijuana originated from. [REDACTED] refused to provide any further information to assist on our investigation. I explained to [REDACTED] that the marijuana would be seized if he could not provide legal possession paperwork. He replied, "Do what you gotta do."

I explained to [REDACTED] that based on my investigation I believed he was involved in illegal black market marijuana and acting unlawfully. Based on the lack of documentation and [REDACTED] unwillingness to cooperate with our questions, the processed cannabis was seized and booked into evidence. [REDACTED] requested a receipt for the marijuana. I explained to him that receipts for evidence were not given out per our department policy, combined with the fact that he was not the owner, nor did he want to provide me with a name to list as the owner(s).

The above items were seized and booked into evidence at Rohnert Park DPS Main Police Station under case number 17-0005373.

Case Forwarded to The DA's Officer for filing a violation of 11357(c) 2 H&S. Possession of more than one ounce of marijuana against [REDACTED]

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Evidence / Property Report

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Date Submitted: 12/18/2017

Officer: Huffaker, Joe (439)

Address Collected: 101 SB

Item #	Property Type	Description	BarCode
JH1	Evidence	NARCOTICS (INCLUDING MARIJUANA) Drug Type:MARIJUANA Weight:15 LBS APPROX. 15 LBS OF MJ 101 SB	 126398
JH2	Evidence	NARCOTICS (INCLUDING MARIJUANA) Drug Type:MARIJUANA Weight:15 LBS APPROX. 15 LBS OF MARIJUANA	 126399

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