



Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office

News Release

Sheriff's Office Seeks Assistance Locating Missing Endangered Person

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On October 8, 2017 at about 12:40 p.m., the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) received a report of a "suspicious vehicle" from an off-duty law enforcement officer. The officer was hunting with a family member when he encountered an abandoned vehicle on a United States Forest Service (USFS) road in the Klamath National Forest (near Cade Mountain). The vehicle appeared to be abandoned and a vehicular door was opened. A California Highway Patrol (CHP) officer and SCSO deputy responded to USFS Road 17N38 near USFS Road 19N01 and the vehicle, a silver SUV with a Florida license plate affixed, was located and found to be abandoned. A wallet and cellular phone were found in the vehicle. There was evidence of animal infestation within the interior of the vehicle, and dried blood was found, raising concerns about the prior occupant's welfare.

Identification in the vehicle was found that identified the possible missing/endangered person as Mr. Alexander Navarro Rivera, 59 years-old, with a Florida address. SCSO has initiated a search and rescue (SAR) mission in an effort to locate Mr. Rivera. Thus far, he has not been found and no sign of him has been reported by federal, state, or local law enforcement agencies. SCSO's Major Crimes Unit, including its forensic technician, is also assisting with the investigation.

According to Sheriff Jon Lopey, "We are very concerned about Mr. Rivera's possible disappearance and welfare. We will know more about what happened when we get a report from our SCSO SAR Coordinator and investigators forensically process the vehicle. Anyone with information about Mr. Rivera's possible disappearance is urged to contact the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office 24-hour Dispatch Center at (530) 841-2900."



Mr. Alexander Navarro Rivera