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Media Advisory

Nevada Highway Patrol Trooper Arrests Fugitive from Justice Driving a Stolen Vehicle in Fernley Nevada

On Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at approximately 10:11 hours, a Nevada Highway Patrol trooper was on routine patrol on IR80 near Exit 46, in Fernley, Nevada. The trooper stopped a vehicle for a registration violation. The vehicle was occupied by a male driver and female passenger. Upon contacting the driver, the trooper observed that the vehicle's steering column was broken apart. The driver gave a false name to the trooper, and could not produce a driver's license. Not being able to positively identify the driver, the NHP trooper arrested him and handcuffed him. Around that time, the vehicle, a red 1997 Ford Escort station wagon, was confirmed stolen, reported out of Shasta County California.

The driver was positively identified as 23 year old Andrew Cook out of Anderson, California. After further investigation by the trooper, it was discovered that Mr. Cook had 8 FELONY WARRANTS out of Shasta County California. 4 of the warrants had bail amounts of \$250,000.000. The other 4 had bail amounts of \$25,000.00. **Total bail for all 8 warrants was \$1.1 million dollars.**

Mr. Cook was also charged with:

- Driving without a valid driver's license
- Possession of a stolen motor vehicle
- Obstructing/Delaying a Police Officer (proving false information to a police officer)

The female passenger was identified as 19 year old Amber Cecil, also out of Anderson, California. Ms. Cecil was arrested for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle.

Both Mr. Cook and Cecil were booked into the Lyon County Jail in Yerington, Nv.

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