



NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Vehicle Pursuit

Location: Darling Rd. and Gardner Ave.

Date/Time Occurred: 07/20/17 @ 1130 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol

Suspect(s): Michael Holladay, 49 years, Ventura Resident

Report #: 17-9519

Narrative:

On the above date and time, an officer on patrol observed a known wanted felon driving in the area of Darling Rd. and Gardner Ave. and attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle. The subject, later identified as Michael Holladay, failed to yield and a pursuit was initiated.

The pursuit continued on several residential streets, during which time Holladay drove at speeds of 60 mph on Telephone Rd. and ran several stop signs. In the area of Halifax St. and Big Horn St., Holladay exited the vehicle while it was still moving and fled on foot. He entered a nearby water culvert, which led into the Santa Clara River bottom.

Due to the heavy brush, officers quickly lost sight of him and did not pursue Holladay into the river bottom. He was able to elude the officers.

When he is located, Holladay will be arrested for felony evading. The felony warrant he currently has is also for felony evading arrest. Holladay is Post Release Offender.

No one was injured as a result of this incident.

Anyone with information on Holladay's whereabouts is asked to call the Ventura Police Department at 650-8010.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

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