



# Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

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**Subject:** Armed Robbery

**Case:** 201201413, 14,15

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 03-23-2012, approximately 10:15 a.m. the Humboldt County Sheriffs was notified of vehicle burglary which just occurred on Bureau of Land Management Property, Samoa Peninsula, south of the US Coast Guard Station. The victim reported she was approximately 100 yards from her unoccupied vehicle when she witnessed two male suspects, one wearing a red sweatshirt, smash the front window of her vehicle, and steal her fifteen inch screen black colored Hewitt Packard lap top and Black IPod which she left on the front seat. The woman yelled at the suspects who fled in a newer model grey Toyota pickup truck, extended cab with a camper shell on the back.

At approximately the same time as this report, the Sheriff office received two additional reports of vehicle burglaries on the Samoa Peninsula. The second and third victim vehicles were parked in a turnout just south of the Fairhaven Power plant. Both cars had their windows smashed. Both victims reported being away from their vehicles during the same approximate twenty minute time period. In both cases windows to the vehicles were smashed. One victim had her brown leather purse and wallet stolen which contained various credit cards and identification. The other victim had a green North Face backpack stolen which contained the victims' school books and related paperwork.

The Sheriffs Office requests anyone seeing suspicious activity near vehicles parked on area beaches to call and report it. The Sheriff's also wants to remind the public do not leave valuables in their vehicles, especially in plain sight. Discreetly lock valuable in the trunk of your

vehicle or take them with you when you walk on area beaches and trails. If you wallet or purse is stolen immediately call your credit card company and/or banks. Thieves will usually use the cards as soon as possible before they are reported stolen and rendered useless.

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding these cases or criminal related activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey  
Sheriff

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