

SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT 155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

MEDIA RELEASE

DATE/TIME: 5/28/13 9:30 PM

LOCATION: 600 Block Riverside Ave

<u>TOPIC</u>: Possession of Stolen Property Arrest

CASE NUMBER: 13S-04397

INFORMATION:

Arrested: Kyle Wyatt Franks – 27 yrs, Felton Resident **Suspect Vehicle** = 2007 White Chevy Truck License# 8F41471

At 5:05 PM on May 28, 2013, Officer Karina Ceceña responded to the Days Inn 600 Riverside Ave, for a report of a theft. She contacted the victim who owns a construction company. The victim parked his work truck in the parking lot of the motel sometime after midnight. When the victim went to leave for work later in the morning, he discovered his \$600 "Chop Saw" was missing. Officer Ceceñ was able to view surveillance footage from early morning and saw a truck pull in and park next to the victim's vehicle.

A male from the truck got out of the truck, put on a yellow construction helmet and then climbed into the bed of the victim's truck, stealing the saw. At about 9:00 PM, Officers Alec Ganzel and Karina Ceceña were sharing case information about a similar vehicle involved in an unrelated case.

Officers Ganzel and Ceceña connected the information and located the suspect's truck parked in the area of Branciforte Avenue and Belvedere Terrace with the doors open and two people standing in the immediate area.

One of those persons, Kyle Franks, matched the overall description from the surveillance footage and a yellow construction hat was located inside his vehicle. In the vehicle's bed was the stolen "Chop Saw".

Mr. Franks was taken into custody for Possession of Stolen Property, Possession of Heroin and Theft. His bail was enhanced because he was out of custody on Court "Own Recognizance" release at the time of this new offense, 12022.1(b) PC. Mr. Franks has a significant history of arrest for theft and drug related offenses dating back to 2000. Great work by Officers Ceceña and Ganzel.

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