



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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*****NEWS RELEASE*****

February 23, 2016

VPD Report Number: 16-02811

Date/Time Occurred: 2/23/16 1200 hours

Type of Incident:

- Possession of Methamphetamine for Sales
- Transportation of Heroin
- Possession of Narcotics While Armed with a Firearm
- Felon in Possession of a Firearm
- Felon in Possession of Ammunition
- Committing a Felony While Out On Bail

Location: Turner and Houston
15687 Wisteria, Ivanhoe

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Joel Madrigal
- 2.
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Yes

Details: On 2/23/16 at approximately 1200 hours, officers from the Visalia Police Department's Narcotics Unit and Property Crimes Unit conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle driven by (S) Madrigal as part of a narcotics investigation. After (S) Madrigal was secure, a search warrant was served at his residence in the 15000 block of Wisteria, Ivanhoe. During the service of that search warrant, officers located nearly 1 1/2 pounds of methamphetamine, a loaded firearm, a digital scale, packaging material and currency.

In the vehicle, officers located a small amount of heroin. (S) Madrigal was currently out on bail for a 2014 narcotics case, where 4 pounds of methamphetamine was located.

(S) Madrigal was booked into the Tulare County Jail for: Possession of Methamphetamine for Sales; Transportation of Heroin; Possession of Narcotics While Armed with a Firearm; Felon in Possession of a Firearm; Felon in Possession of Ammunition; and Committing a Felony While Out On Bail.



Arresting / Investigating Officer: Narcotic Unit

Supervisor: R. Epp

