



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**July 28, 2021**

**VPD Report Number:**21-032406

**Date/Time Occurred:** July 27, 2021, at 7:26 PM

**Type of Incident:** Possession of Stolen Vehicle

**Location:** Lovers Lane and Mineral King Ave.

**Name of Business (if applicable):**

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

1. Dustin Smith

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YES

2.

**Details:**

On July 27, 2021, at 7:26 PM an off-duty Visalia Police officer was in the area of Houston and McAuliff when he observed a trailer being towed west bound. The trailer matched the description of a trailer that had previously been reported as stolen. Patrol officers responded to the area and located the vehicle and trailer traveling south on Lovers Lane at Mineral King. A traffic stop was conducted and the driver of the vehicle, Dustin Smith, was detained without incident. The trailer had false plates on it and was determined to be stolen.

Suspect Smith was booked at the Tulare County Adult Pre-Trial Detention Facility for being in possession of a stolen vehicle.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Patrol

**Supervisor:** M. Whaley S155

