



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

September 22, 2021

VPD Report Number: 21-0801033

Type of Incident: Grand Theft

Date/Time Occurred: 9/22/2021 at 1300 hrs.

Location: Shirk and Hillsdale

Name of Business (if applicable):

N/A

Suspect:

1. Jerry Golden
2. Nathan Wright

Age:

- 45
37

Arrested:

- Yes
Yes

Details: On September 22, 2021, the Visalia Police Department received a report of a theft from a construction site in the area of Hillsdale and Shirk. Detectives learned that approximately \$37,000 worth of construction lumber had been taken from the site over a one-month period.

Detectives were able to view video surveillance and identify a vehicle associated with the thefts. While conducting surveillance on the associated residence in the 900 block of N. Tilden, officers observed individuals arrive and load the lumber that was being stored in the garage, into their vehicles. Detectives contacted the drivers of the vehicles and were told that they had responded to posts on various social media sites advertising construction grade lumber for sale.

Detectives served a search warrant at the residence where Jerry Golden (45) and Nathan Wright (37) were contacted. Both subjects were positively identified as the individuals responsible for the thefts from the construction site. They were subsequently arrested for grand theft, possession of stolen property and conspiracy charges. The suspects will be booked at the Tulare County Pre-Trial Facility for the listed charges.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Property Crimes

Supervisor: M. Whaley

