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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\*
March 20, 2019

VPD Report Number: 19-022819 Date/Time Occurred: 3/20/19 2	2030 hours
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**Type of Incident:** Attempted Carjacking, Attempted

Robbery

**Location:** Mooney/Whitendale

Name of Business (if applicable):

 Suspect:
 Age:
 Arrested:

 1. Unk
 40s
 No

 2.
 No

**Details:** On 3/20/19 at 2030 hours, patrol officers responded to Mooney/Whitendale in regards to a man with a knife. Upon arrival, officers learned that the suspect approached the victim's vehicle on foot while the victim was stopped at a red light. The suspect produced a kitchen knife and demanded the victim drive the suspect from the area. The suspect tried to steal the victim's wallet from the center console, but the victim was able to retrieve it back from the suspect. The suspect fled on foot prior to police arrival. No injuries were sustained and no property was taken. A CHP helicopter assisted in attempting to locate the suspect. The case will be forwarded to the Violent Crimes Unit for follow up investigation. Anyone with information is urged to contact the Anonymous Tip Line at (559) 713-4738.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol Supervisor: Sgt. M. Verissimo, S36