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VPD Report Number: 20-005860 Date/Time Occurred: 01/21/2020 2100 hrs

Type of Incident: Assault Arrest Location: Mineral King/ Locust, Visalia

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	Age:	<b>Arrested:</b>
1. Joseph John Salazar	25	Yes
2. Toni Ashlynn Sisson	19	Yes

Details: This evening officers responded to a road rage incident call for service in the area of Lover's Lane and Noble. The reporting party was following a vehicle while on the phone with VPD Dispatchers. The officers located the suspect vehicle at Mineral King and Locust and conducted a traffic stop. The investigation revealed the two listed suspects, Salazar and Sisson, were in a vehicle when they honked their horn at the victim's vehicle for an alleged traffic violation. At a red light, the suspects exited their vehicle and threatened the two occupants of the victim vehicle. Sisson brandished a taser stun gun at the adult female driver and challenged her to fight. Salazar approached the 13 year old female passenger, struck the window with his fist, and threatened to fight her. The two victims did not exit their vehicle. The suspects got back into their vehicle and drove away with the victims calling 911 and following them. Officers searched the suspect vehicle and found over 100 vaping pens, marijuana oil and other marijuana paraphernalia. Sisson was booked at the Tulare County Jail for threatening the victim with a stun gun. Salazar was booked for child endangerment, battery, transporting and sales of marijuana.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol

Supervisor: Sergeant R. Lentzner



