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NEWS RELEASE

Incident Date and Time: Saturday, June 3, 2017
Location: Crestview Drive / Melendy Drive and 3300 block of Brittan Ave, San Carlos
Type of Incident: Mountain Lion Sighting

SUMMARY:

On Saturday evening deputies from the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office, San Carlos Police Bureau responded on two separate reports of mountain lion sightings by residents in the Crestview area of San Carlos.

The first sighting was at approximately 9:40 pm, when a female driver reportedly saw what she described as a "adult sized mountain lion" cross in front of her vehicle, east to west on Crestview Drive, just north of Melendy Drive.

The second sighting was approximately 2 hours later, when a male resident in the 3300 block of Brittan Avenue reportedly saw what he described as a "really big whitish-brown mountain lion," on the hillside just northeast of his carport, standing along the hillside.

In both instances the mountain lion fled the scene on its own, in an unknown direction from the first sighting and northwest into the Pulgas Ridge Open Space after the second sighting.

If you see a mountain lion DO NOT APPROACH IT, especially one that is feeding or with offspring. Most mountain lions will try to avoid confrontation.

Here are a few tips:

- Keep a close watch on small children and pets
- Carry a whistle or small sports air horn
- If you encounter a mountain lion, do not run; instead, face the animal, make noise and try to look bigger by waving your arms; throw rocks or other objects.

For more information about mountain lions: www.keepmewild.org or www.dfg.ca.gov/wildlife/lion/

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