

BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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The Butte County Sheriff's Office has been conducting an ongoing investigation stemming from multiple reports of burglaries occurring from AB Storage located at 13670 Anderson Brothers Drive, Chico and Airport Storage located at 3158 Thorntree Drive, Chico.

On March 13, 2010 at approximately 1200 hours, the owner of AB Storage reported to Sheriff's detectives that a suspicious vehicle had entered the storage facility. After the vehicle left, the owner reported that locks had been removed from several storage units. Detectives responded to conduct further investigation. While on scene at AB storage, the manager from Airport Storage reported several burglaries had occurred at that location. Detectives responded to further investigate.

On March 13, 2010 at approximately 1800 hours, Detectives conducting surveillance observed the same suspicious vehicle enter the property at AB Storage. The suspect was identified as Bryan Scott Gray (DOB: 11-17-78) from Chico. Detectives apprehended Gray as he was in the progress of removing items from a storage unit which had its lock cut earlier in the day. Gray was also found to be in possession of burglary tools, suspected methamphetamine, and Oxycontin.

Further investigation by Detective Ryan Gsell was conducted and it was determined that Gray had a storage unit at Airport Storage. A search warrant was written and served on the storage unit early in the morning on March 14, 2010. Additional stolen property was located inside.

Gray was booked into Butte County Jail, Oroville for the following charges:

Burglary, Possession of Burglary Tools, Possession of Stolen Property, two counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance, Transportation of a Controlled Substance, and Committing a Felony While Out On Bail or O.R. Gray's bail was set at \$215,000.

This investigation is still ongoing. Anyone with information regarding the burglaries is asked to contact Detective Ryan Gsell at (530) 538-7671.