



Porterville Police Department Press Release

Incident: Threaten/Resist Peace Officer with Force
Vandalism
Attempt to take Weapon from Peace Officer
Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance

Date/Time: November 25, 2011/ 10:01 AM

Location(s): 200 block of N. Beverly Street, Porterville

Suspect(s): Gabriel Molina, 29 years, Porterville resident

Summary:

On November 25, 2011, at approximately 10:01 AM, officers of the Porterville Police Department responded to a residence in the 200 block of N. Beverly Street regarding a male subject, later identified as 29 year old Gabriel Molina, who knocked down a citizen's fence and was possibly under the influence of a controlled substance. Officer Jordan arrived on scene and contacted Molina. During his contact with Molina, Molina began to fight with Officer Jordan. Molina was finally taken into custody once other Porterville Police Officers arrived on scene. During the altercation, Molina attempted to take Officer Jordan's PR-24 Police Baton from him. Two homeowners in the 200 block of North Beverly also reported that Molina vandalized their property, causing enough property damage to constitute felony vandalism. Molina was also determined to be under the influence of a controlled substance. Molina was subsequently booked into the custody of the Tulare County Sheriff's Department on charges of resisting peace officer with force, vandalism, attempt to take weapon from peace officer, and being under the influence of a controlled substance. This case remains under investigation.