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MAN ARRESTED AFTER PURSUIT ON INTERSTATE 5

(San Diego) On May 7, 2008 at about 1 p.m. the San Diego Police helicopter, ABLE, monitored a report on the California Highway Patrol (CHP) radio of a man driving dangerously on southbound Interstate 5 near J Street in Chula Vista. The CHP did not ask for SDPD patrol assistance at that point. The suspect was driving a blue Sebring at high rates of speed around Dairy Mart Road and Camino de la Plaza and the CHP officers were attempting to stop him. The suspect got back onto southbound Interstate 5 and then exited the freeway again. At one point, he was traveling northbound in the southbound lanes of Interstate 5 and at that time, all patrol units dropped out of the pursuit (for safety) and ABLE was the only unit monitoring the suspect's location. Once the suspect left the freeway (around Tocayo Avenue) SDPD patrol units moved into the area and ABLE directed them to the suspect's location in the 1500 block of Oro Vista Road. The suspect was taken into custody at 1:24 p.m. and turned over to the CHP without incident. CHP is handling the arrest of this suspect. No one was injured and none of the SDPD patrol units were damaged in this pursuit.

Video of this incident is available at the SDPD headquarters front counter until 5 p.m. today.

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