## LEMOORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



## PRESS RELEASE

On 03/04/15 at about 1755 hours, Lemoore police officers were dispatched to the 400 block of Skaggs Street regarding a male subject brandishing a gun. The reporting party advised that the suspect was possibly under the influence of drugs and had a handgun.

Responding officers arrived on scene and made contact with the suspect, 39 year old Heriberto Ayala Lopez of Lemoore, in the driveway of the residence. He was detained without incident and searched. A search of his person led to the discovery of a loaded 9mm handgun magazine and several loose 9mm rounds in his pocket. He denied having a firearm.

Officers searched the home and were able to locate a 9mm handgun in a bedroom. The serial number had been removed from the handgun. Lopez was transported to the police department, where he was evaluated for being under the influence of a controlled substance. After interviewing witnesses, it was determined that Lopez had not brandished the gun at anyone. He was subsequently booked into the Kings County Jail for being a felon in possession of a handgun, possession of a firearm with an obliterated serial number, felon in possession of ammunition, and being under the influence of a controlled substance. His bail set at \$45,000.00.

A female who was with Lopez at the time he was contacted, Gina Rodriguez, was also detained and subsequently booked into the Kings County Jail for being under the influence of a controlled substance. Her bail was set at \$5,000.00.