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MEDIA RELEASE Armed Assault in Cold Canyon

The Solano County Sheriff's Office is investigating an assault and attempted robbery involving a firearm that occurred on Friday, March 25, 2016 at 3:00 PM in the Cold Canyon area of Lake Berryessa.

At approximately 3:00 PM, two women (18 and 59 years) were hiking within the canyon when they were approached by an unknown Hispanic male suspect. The suspect displayed a handgun and forced the two women off the trail to a secluded area. The suspect then assaulted one of the women, demanded money, and quickly fled the area on foot.

There is evidence the suspect may be residing within the canyon area. The suspect is described as follows:

- Hispanic Male
- Approximately 25 years of age
- 5 foot 5 inches to 5 foot 6 inches
- Short black hair
- No facial hair or a very light mustache
- Spoke in broken English with a heavy accent
- Last seen wearing- a burgundy shirt, black pants, grey and white tennis shoes

The Solano County Sheriff's Office is encouraging hikers and other users of this area of the county with caution. Hikers are urged to keep a watchful eye of their surroundings, to hike in groups and to report any and all suspicious activity immediately to the Solano County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center by calling 707-421-7090. Please keep in mind cellular reception is commonly unavailable in the canyon area.

Cold Canyon is a commonly frequented area popular with local hikers. We believe someone enjoying the canyon during the time of this incident may have seen the suspect. Anyone who has information regarding this case is encouraged to call Detective Andrew Hendrix at (707) 784-7058. Callers may also remain anonymous by calling Crime Stoppers at (707) 644-STOP (7867).

This is an on-going investigation and no further information is available for public release at this time.

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