

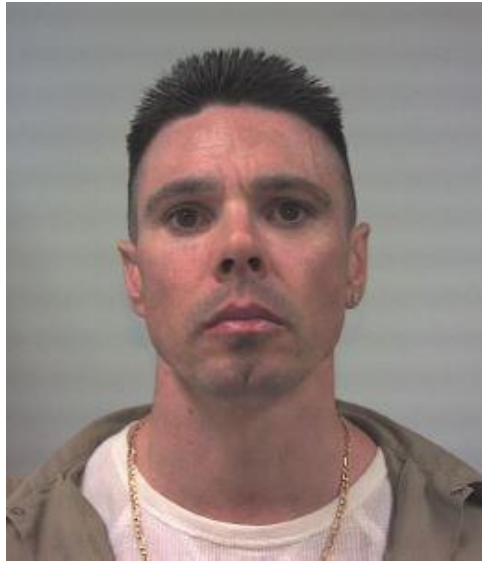
SAN DIEGO SEXUAL ASSAULT FELONY ENFORCEMENT (SAFE) TASK FORCE

PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

September 15, 2020

Sexually Violent Predator's Placement Hearing Date – October 9, 2020



The hearing date for the proposed placement of Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) Joshua Cooley will be held:

October 9, 2020

8:30 a.m.

Humboldt Superior Court

Eureka, CA 95501

Judge John T. Feeney, Courtroom #5

Follow the link below to view the hearing

<https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>

On September 8, 2020, the Department of State Hospitals (DSH) proposed placement of SVP Joshua Cooley at 15077 Adams Drive, Pauma Valley, CA. 92061. Selection of the proposed placement location is the sole responsibility of DSH and the Humboldt Superior Court. Pursuant to Welfare & Institutions Code section 6609.1, the public is permitted to comment on the proposed location before it is finalized by the Court.

Pauma Valley, California, is an unincorporated community in the north inland area of San Diego County. Per the United States Census Bureau, the estimated population of Pauma Valley was 7,499 in 2018. The property of interest is located within the San Diego County Sheriff Department's jurisdiction, particularly the area patrolled by deputies assigned to the Valley Center Sheriff's Substation.

With the court hearing scheduled for October 9, 2020, the SAFE Task Force will be accepting public comments about the proposed placement to be included in the formal response to the court.

The San Diego Sheriff's Department, San Diego District Attorney's Office and SAFE Task Force are not responsible for the selection of the proposed site. The selection process is the sole responsibility of the Department of State Hospitals and Humboldt Superior Court.

You may submit your comments through any of the methods listed below. Public comment will be accepted between the dates of September 15, 2020 and September 23, 2020. These comments will be forwarded to DSH and to the Humboldt Superior Court before the hearing on this matter. Public comments may also be accepted at the hearing.

- Email: sdsafe@sdsheriff.org
- Telephone: (858) 495-3619
- Mail: SVP Release/SAFE Task Force
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Further information about SVPs, and an explanation of the legal requirements for their designation, treatment, and release from confined facilities, can be obtained at the San Diego County District Attorney's website, <http://www.sdca.org/preventing/sex-offenders/index.html>, and also at the Department of State Hospital's website, <https://www.dsh.ca.gov/>. Information on the SAFE Task Force can be obtained at <https://www.sdsheriff.net/safe/>.
