

## San Diego County Sheriff's Department – Media Relations

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## Sex Offender Community Notification



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On January 17th, Sheriff's Deputies along with the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE) Task Force went door to door in Jacumba Hot Springs to inform the community about a Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) who will be living in their neighborhood. Thomas Cornwell served time in prison for molesting children between 1990 and 2008.

In 2019, Cornwell petitioned the courts for conditional release. On September 13, 2019, the San Diego Superior Court granted Cornwell's conditional release at 2135 McCain Valley Road in Jacumba Hot Springs on or before January 31, 2020 under the supervision of Liberty Health Care.

The San Diego County Sheriff's Department, District Attorney's Office and SAFE Task Force are not responsible for the selection of this location. The selection process was the responsibility of the Department of State Hospitals and the San Diego Superior Court.

Cornwell is not wanted by the San Diego County Sheriff's Department at this time. California Penal Code Section 290, also known as "Megan's Law," permits law enforcement agencies to warn the community about sex offenders who frequent the area. The purpose of this notice is to allow members of the public to protect themselves and/or their children from sex offenders.

This notification is not intended to induce fear; rather it is our belief that an informed community is a safer community. Use of this information to threaten, intimidate or harass the subject or any other person will not be tolerated and may result in prosecution.











(A) The offenders full name Thomas Joseph Cornwell

(B) Known alias N/A

(C) Gender Male

(D) Race White

(E) Physical description 6'1", 380 pounds, black hair, hazel eyes

(F) Photograph Special Bulletin

(G) Date of birth 8/13/1978

(H) Crimes resulting in 290 Registration 288(a) PC - Lewd and Lascivious Acts Child Under (14)

(I) Address 2135 McCain Valley Road

Jacumba Hot Springs, CA 91934

(J) Vehicles None

(K) Type of victim targets Children

(L) Parole / Probation California State Hospital - Conditional Release Program

(M) Dates of crimes 1996 and 2009

(N) Date of release On or prior to January 31, 2020

(O) Enrollment in college, university None

For more information on Megan's Law, visit www.meganslaw.ca.gov.





