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## PRESS RELEASE

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**Kidnapping Suspect Possibly in Route to Mexico** 

Riverbank, CA – Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department responded yesterday evening to the area of Crawford Rd and Roselle Ave in Riverbank for a report of a female that was dragged out of her vehicle. When deputies arrived they were told the victim was driving her vehicle when she was forced off the road by her ex-boyfriend, Carlos Alberto Lizarraga, 22 of Riverbank. Lizarraga pulled the victim out of her car and forced her into his chevy truck, fleeing the area. Deputies searched all possible locations that Lizarraga may be taking the victim, but were unable to locate him. At approximately 4:30AM this morning the Stanislaus Sheriff's Department received a telephone call from the victim's family that she had escaped, was safe, and at a family members house. Investigators received information that Lizarraga may be at a hotel in Antesia, CA. Lakewood Sheriff's Department went to the hotel but Lizarraga had already fled, leaving his truck behind. Stanislaus County Investigators are still searching for Lizarraga and believe he may be attempting to flee to Mexico. Lizarraga is wanted for kidnapping.

Stanislaus County Investigators are requesting anyone with information about this case or the whereabouts of Carlos Lizarraga, to please contact Mark Copeland at (209)863-7147. Callers can also leave an anonymous tip by calling Crime Stoppers at (209) 521-4636. Tipsters can also e-mail tips at <a href="http://www.modestopolice.com/CrimeStoppers">http://www.modestopolice.com/CrimeStoppers</a>, or text them to CRIMES (274637) by typing "Tip704" plus the message and be eligible for a cash reward.

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