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### THREE VANDALISM SUSPECTS IDENTIFIED

On Thursday, July 12, 2007 at about 9:33 A.M. the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office investigated reports of various acts of vandalism in the Town of Deer Trail. It was discovered that between 6:00 P.M. July 11, 2007 to 7:00 A.M. July 12, 2007 unknown suspects committed over fifteen acts of vandalism in Deer Trail. The vandalism included the spray painting of motor vehicles, a school bus, street signs and homes, as well as the slashing of several vehicle tires.

During the investigation by the Sheriff's Office, three (3) possible suspects were identified. Interviews conducted confirmed that three male juvenile suspects were responsible for the acts of vandalism. Two of the suspects, ages fourteen and fifteen live in Deer Trail while the third suspect, fourteen, lives in Strasburg.

Currently the estimated damage is \$1,930 with the identified victims consisting of eleven citizens and three businesses. A criminal case filing has been submitted to the Arapahoe County District Attorney's Office recommending the following criminal violations for all three suspects:

**C.R.S. 18-4-501, Criminal Mischief, a Class 4 Felony.**

A Class 4 Felony, committed by a juvenile, is punishable, upon conviction, by a sentence to be determined by the juvenile court.

**C.R.S. 18-2-201, Conspiracy to commit criminal mischief, a Class 6 Felony.**

A Class 6 Felony, committed by a juvenile, is punishable, upon conviction, by a sentence to be determined by the juvenile court.

Upon conviction, the families of the juveniles suspected of being responsible for the act of vandalism in the Town of Deer Trail could be held accountable for the costs of the damage and any repair required.

The investigation into this matter continues. For additional information, please contact Sheriff Grayson Robinson at 720.874.4165.

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