Felon arrested by CHP in S. Tahoe

A Nevada County woman was arrested Nov. 4 on several felony charges.

The incident started at 2:55am Tuesday when two California Highway Patrol officers spotted a vehicle on Lake Tahoe Boulevard near Third Street in South Lake Tahoe that matched the description of a stolen vehicle from earlier in the shift.

Officers made a U-turn to overtake the vehicle, but the driver made an abrupt turn onto southbound Third Street. Officers said she made several turns in an attempt to evade them. Then the suspect stopped suddenly in the Matterhorn Hotel parking lot.

The driver, Sarah Elizabeth Downey, was on felony probation out of Nevada County. Officers searched the vehicle and said they found a loaded handgun and drug paraphernalia in the passenger compartment. She was arrested and booked into the local jail.

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