

**County of Mendocino Marijuana Eradication Team
C.O.M.M.E.T.**

Press Release

Week Of: 09-10-2007 to 0-14-2007

Area of Operations : Highway 175 Hopland, Red Mountain recreation area Ukiah, Clow Ridge Philo, Masonite Road, Red Mountain Piercy, Mina Road Covelo, Chicken Ridge Covelo, Foster Mountain Willits

Total Plant Count: 28,231 plants from 39 sites. 21 Firearms

By: Lt Rusty Noe

During the week of 09-10-07 the Mendocino County Sheriff's Department, COMMET, The Mendocino Major Crimes Task Force and the CAMP team assisted the Drug Enforcement Administration DEA with the service of search warrants along with the raids of marijuana gardens located on public and private lands throughout Mendocino County. During the operation 28,231 marijuana plants were seized from several locations. 21 firearms were located during the service of search warrants from rifles to handguns.

Located and arrested at the service of a search warrant on Highway 175 was Clark Phelps Anderson 52 of San Francisco. Anderson was booked and released on federal narcotics charges. Two other suspects were arrested on federal immigration holds and one suspect was found to be a convicted felon in possession of a firearm. Due to the pending investigation these names were withheld.

To date COMMET has seized 296,681 marijuana plants and the season continues.