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Car-jacking at Grand Canyon National Park

Grand Canyon, Ariz. – At approximately 3:30 this afternoon Grand Canyon National Park’s emergency dispatch center received multiple reports of a vehicle accident near Twin Overlooks on Desert View Drive (Highway 64) located on the South Rim of Grand Canyon National Park. Witnesses in the area stopped to offer assistance to the two male occupants. Both refused assistance and left on foot carrying large backpacks. Park rangers responded to the accident scene and initiated an investigation.

At approximately 7:15 this evening, a man called Grand Canyon’s emergency dispatch center from a market within Grand Canyon Village to report that the vehicle he and his passenger had been riding in had been carjacked near Lipan Point on Desert View Drive. He stated that two men had taken his vehicle at gunpoint and headed west toward Grand Canyon Village.

The two men matched witness descriptions of the two men who had left the scene of the vehicle accident that had occurred earlier near Twin Overlooks.

The two suspects are described as Travis N. Twiggs (aka T-Bo), age 36, height 5’8”, weighing approximately 200 lbs, with brown hair and blue eyes, and facial hair (not clean shaven). The reporting party also stated he had tattoos on his arms and leg. The second suspect is described as Willard Twiggs (aka Will), age 38, height 6’2”, weighing approximately 180 lbs, with shoulder length blonde hair and blue eyes. Willard also has facial hair (not clean shaven) and has tattoos on his arms and legs.

The stolen vehicle is a 2008 white Dodge Caliber 4-door hatchback, bearing Arizona license plate 606RFC.

Law Enforcement Rangers, and Officers from the Department of Public Safety and Coconino County Sheriff’s Office are searching all areas within and adjacent to the Grand Canyon Village. Rangers and local law enforcement officers are increasing patrols in the Grand Canyon and Tusayan areas. An investigation is on-going in an attempt to develop further leads. Weather conditions in the area currently include low visibility and blowing snow.

Both suspects and the stolen vehicle have been entered into Arizona and National law enforcement data bases.

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The two suspects are considered armed and dangerous. Anyone with information regarding the suspects or stolen vehicle should call Grand Canyon's emergency dispatch center at 928-638-7805.

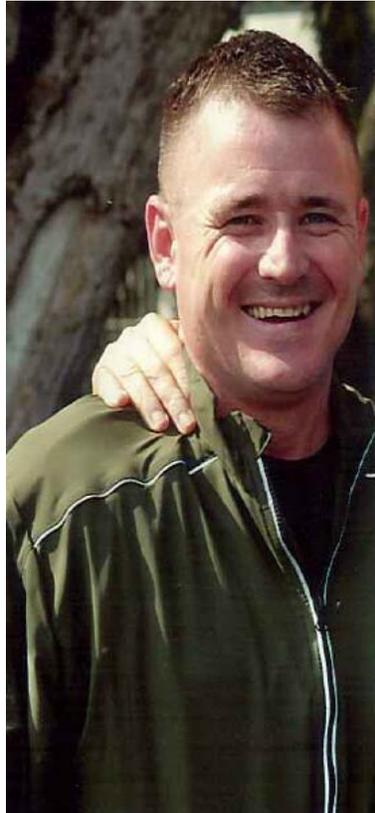


Photo: Travis N. Twiggs (aka T-Bo)

Photo of second suspect is currently not available.

Grand Canyon's Incident Information Center (928-638-7922) (recorded line 928-638-7688) will be staffed Tuesday morning beginning at 6:00 a.m.

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