

# Media Release

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## ***Traffic Stop leads to Marijuana Grow Operation in Wilhoit***

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On April 9, 2015, at approximately 5:15 PM, a YCSO deputy pulled over a black Volkswagen sedan after it failed to stop at a stop sign while turning from eastbound Donegal Dr. onto Highway 89, near Wilhoit. The driver was identified as 37-year-old Shaun Pfaff of Wilhoit and he had a female passenger in the car. During contact with the pair, the deputy detected a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle interior. Pfaff denied possessing marijuana but allowed the deputy to search his vehicle. While checking the trunk, the deputy located a glass pipe along with marijuana in baggies and a glass jar, all wrapped in a sweater. The quantity of marijuana seized was nearly 4 ounces.



During further investigation at the traffic stop location, the deputy developed information indicating the likelihood there was a large quantity of marijuana stored inside Pfaff's Wilhoit home. A search warrant was sought and granted for his home located in the 8200 block of Northridge Drive, Wilhoit.

Deputies arrived at Pfaff's home for a search and found numerous drug production items including in excess of 5 pounds of marijuana, some in cold storage, packaged for sales and broken down by strain. Additional items seized included paraphernalia, marijuana grow diagrams, cultivation items including grow lamps, fans, and irrigation supplies. Deputies also found pay/owe ledgers, over \$3000 in cash, several firearms, and prescription medications.



Early Friday morning, April 10, 2015, Pfaff was booked at the Camp Verde Detention Center on charges including Possess Marijuana, Possess Marijuana for Sale, Produce Marijuana, and Possession of Deadly Weapon during Commission of a Felony. Pfaff remains in custody on \$200,000 bond. His passenger was not held.

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