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State Prison Inmate Erving Cook Placed on Escape Status

YANKTON, S.D.- A state prison inmate has been placed on escape status after failing to return from his community service jobsite.

Inmate Ervin Cook failed to return to the Yankton Community Work Center Aug. 4 after his work was completed.

Cook is a Native American male, age 53. He is 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighs approximately 170 pounds.

Cook is serving sentences from Roberts County for second-degree burglary and forgery; for grand theft and ingestion of a controlled substance from Codington County and distribution of a controlled substance from Yankton County.

If you see Cook or know of his whereabouts, contact law enforcement immediately. Failure to return following an assignment is a Class 5 felony, punishable by up to five years in prison.

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