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Search underway for missing work release inmate

Pierre, S.D. - A search is underway for a state prison inmate on work release status in Sioux Falls.

Michael Brown, age 47, signed out of Unit C, the minimum-security unit of the Jameson Annex of the South Dakota State Penitentiary, to go to his work release job this morning. A check of his employer was conducted, but Brown was not scheduled to work today. Escape procedures were started and law enforcement was notified.

Brown is serving two consecutive two-year sentences with one year suspended on each for Violation of a Protection Order out of Yankton County.

He is white, 5-feet-11-inches tall and weighs approximately 180 pounds. He has brown hair and blue eyes.

Pictures of Brown are available on the Department of Corrections website at http://www.state.sd.us/corrections/escapees.htm.

If you see Brown, contact law enforcement.

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