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State Prison Inmate Placed On Escape Status

Sioux Falls, S.D.- A minimum-security state prison inmate from Sioux Falls has been placed on escape status after failing to return from a job search.

Inmate Ryan Dahl left the minimum-security unit on the grounds of the South Dakota State Penitentiary on a scheduled work release job search early this afternoon. He failed to return to the minimum-security unit by the scheduled time.

Dahl is a 21-year-old white male, 5-feet-11-inches tall and weighs approximately 150 pounds. He has blonde hair and blue eyes.

Dahl is currently serving an 8-year sentence with 5-years suspended for receiving/transferring a stolen vehicle, a consecutive 2-year sentence with 1-year suspended for possession of marijuana (more than 2 oz. but less than half a pound) and a consecutive 4-year sentence with 3-years suspended for distribution of marijuana to a minor. All of the sentences are from Lincoln County.

Anyone who sees Dahl or knows of his whereabouts should contact law enforcement immediately.

There are approximately 800 minimum-security inmates housed across the state, including more than 200 in Sioux Falls. More than 140 of those minimum-security inmates are on work release status.

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Note: Additional sentence information is available on the DOC website at: doc.sd.gov/adult/lookup/

Our mission is to protect the citizens of South Dakota by providing safe and secure facilities for juvenile and adult offenders committed to our custody by the courts. To provide effective community supervision to offenders upon their release and to utilize evidence-based practices to maximize opportunities for rehabilitation.