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Work Release Inmate Placed On Escape Status

Rapid City, S.D.- A minimum-security inmate from Rapid City has been placed on escape status after failing to return from his work release job on time.

Inmate Raymond Freeman, age 31, was last seen at his work release job in Rapid City this afternoon. Escape procedures were enacted after he failed to return to the Rapid City Community Work Center, the Department of Corrections facility housing minimum-security inmates and Community Transition Program parolees, at the scheduled time.

Freeman is a Native American male, 5-feet-7-inches tall and weighs approximately 165 pounds. He has brown hair and brown eyes.

Freeman is serving concurrent 5-year sentences for possession of a controlled substance and unauthorized ingestion of a controlled substance. Both sentences commenced in June 2014 from Hughes County.

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

There are approximately 800 minimum-security inmates housed across the state, including 216 in Rapid City. There are a total of 142 inmates on work release status across the state, including 49 in Rapid City.

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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. Page 2