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Inmate Richard Barela Placed on Escape Status

YANKTON, S.D.- Inmate Richard Barela has been placed on escape status.

Barela left his community service work site in Yankton this afternoon without authorization. He took a 2007 silver Chevy ½ ton pickup with a State of South Dakota license plate that reads CH 331 from the work site.

Barela, age 28, is a Hispanic male. He is 5-feet-11 inches tall and weighs 165 pounds. He has brown hair and brown eyes.

Barela is serving a 10-year sentence with 4 years suspended for possession of a controlled substance out of Hughes County.

If you see Barela, know of his whereabouts or see the vehicle, contact law enforcement immediately.

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