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News Release

Jim McDonnell, Sheriff

TITLE		Road Rage incident ends in shooting!				
Type of Incident:		Assault with a Deadly Weapon (Gun).		Incident Date:	DEC. 17, 2015	
Author / Date / Time:		Lieutenant Brian Dunn		Incident Time:	1:20 PM	
Incident Location:		16166 Spunky Canyon Rd, Breen Valley, Palmdale Sheriff's Station Patrol Area				
News Media Location:		Not on scene				
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Victims:	MW/41					
Subjects: Baca, Rafael MH/41, Lancaster resident						

Narrative:

Today at approximately 1:20 pm, two male adults were involved in a rolling "Road Rage" incident while they were driving on Spunky Canyon Road in Green Valley, Ca. Both men pulled over to the side of the road. The Suspect, Rafael Baca MH/54 went to his trunk and pulled out a 9mm handgun and loaded an ammo magazine into it. The victim seeing this, quickly started to drive away. Suspect Baca fired an estimated two shots at the victim in his moving vehicle. Fortunately none of the rounds struck the victim or his vehicle. S/Baca sped off south on Spunky Canyon road. An off duty "Parks Bureau" Deputy, Charles Weathers happened to have witnessed the road rage and shooting incidents. The off duty deputy followed suspect Baca who drove to and pulled into the parking lot of a Fire Camp on San Francisquito Canyon Rd in the county area of Saugus. The off duty deputy quickly identified himself as a Deputy Sheriff and detained him at gun point. The off duty deputy yelled at employees at the Fire Camp to call 911 and have deputies respond. Deputies from both Palmdale and Santa Clarita Sheriff's Stations arrived and took S/Baca into custody with no incident. Suspect Baca was arrested for ADW with a gun and Shooting at a moving vehicle. S/Baca was booked on the charges at Palmdale Station.

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