



# **Fresno County Sheriff's Department**

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## **Fresno County Sheriff's Department Looking for Suspects in Murder Near San Joaquin**

On 7-30-05 approximately 8:39 PM The Fresno County Sheriff's Department received a call of an injured subject near a residence in the 12000 block of S. Napa. The area is south/west of the city of San Joaquin. Deputies arrived and found a deceased male along the side of the road. The victim has been identified as Sergio Cabrera, age 23, a resident of Tranquility.

The Investigation has revealed that two suspects shot and killed the victim. The suspects have been identified as Gildardo Rivera, age 25, a resident of San Joaquin and Rafael Mendoza, age 33, also a resident of the San Joaquin area.

Rivera is described as a Hispanic male, 5'-6", 210 pounds, brown eyes, brown collar length hair, beard, and was last seen wearing blue shorts and black a t-shirt. Rivera also has a large scar on his upper left arm extending from his elbow to the shoulder.

Mendoza is described as a Hispanic male, 5'-8", 190 pounds, brown eyes, collar length brown hair, thin moustache, and was last seen wearing a green t-shirt having a flower print and black jeans. Mendoza has a 1" scar on the top of the left hand.

Both suspects fled the scene and have not been seen since the incident. The suspects should be considered armed and dangerous. If the whereabouts of either suspect is known the public should call the Fresno County Sheriff's Department at 488-3111, or Crime Stoppers at 498-STOP.



Rafael Mendoza



Gildardo Rivera