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Ag Task Force Detectives Seek to Identify Hay Thief

A farmer with a ranch near Kearney Park in Fresno recently noticed bales of hay have been slowly disappearing from his large stack. To try and combat the problem, the farmer setup trail cameras on his property to get a visual of the thief. On May 29, 2018, the farmer checked his cameras and found images of a man stealing bales of alfalfa. He reported the theft to the Sheriff's Ag Task Force, which took a report.

The suspect in the photo appears to be white or Hispanic, in his 30s or 40s with a mustache and goatee. The vehicle he is seen driving is a black, newer model Chevrolet single cab pickup truck that is lowered with oversize black rims and a large dent on the right side of the bed. The truck has Haron Jaguar dealer paper plates on the front and a paper plate from VJ's Auto Center on the back of the truck.

The total loss of hay is estimated to be \$250, but will grow substantially if this problem continues.

Anyone with additional information about the suspect in this case is asked to contact the Sheriff's Ag Task Force at (559) 600-8150 or Crime Stoppers at (559) 498-7867. You will remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward. You may reference case #18-8024.

