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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **CAL FIRE Law Enforcement Makes Felony Arrest**

**Butte County-** CAL FIRE Law Enforcement officers have arrested Robert William Gray in connection with a fire in Oroville.

Shortly after 7:30 am on July 24, 2025, firefighters responded to a fire on Lower Wyandotte Road in South Oroville. While crews were en route, a witness called the Oroville Emergency Command Center to describe a male fleeing the area.

The fire, which burned a 30 by 30-foot spot of dry annual grass, was extinguished by firefighters with the help of local residents, who also provided a description and the location of a suspect.

Butte County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to the scene, detained Gray, and returned him to the fire area. A CAL FIRE Investigator completed an origin and cause investigation and took Gray into custody. He was transported to Butte County Jail and booked on one felony count of Penal Code 452(c), recklessly causing a fire to forestland.

CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department would like to thank the Butte County Sheriff's Office for the quick response in detaining the suspect. We also appreciate the assistance of local residents. Their cooperation and awareness helped make their neighborhood safer.

If you have information about suspected arson activity, contact the Butte Unit Fire Prevention Bureau at 530-538-7888 or the Statewide Arson Hotline at 1-800-468-4408.

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