



# San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## PRESS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

InformationType: Press Release- 290 PC Sex Registrant taken into custody for lewd act in Del Mar.  
Subject of Release: William W. Harris  
Other Information:  
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Date of Release: 3-3-10  
Time of Release: 0900

### INFORMATION:

Date of Occurrence: 3-2-10  
Time of Occurrence: 0900  
Location of Incident: Incident location 3000 Block of Camino Del Mar Del Mar, California; Arrest location 2550 Unicornio Street Carlsbad, CA

### SYNOPSIS:

On 2-24-10 about 1430 hours, William Harris approached a five year old female victim at Dog Beach in Del Mar and rubbed his unexposed genitals in front of her. The victim and her father were playing with their dog at the beach, and did not know Harris's identity. Harris was followed by the victim's father as the suspect tried to escape off the beach. The victim's father used his I-phone to video the suspect running off the beach and to his vehicle, which was a white 1986 Volkswagon van. The victim's father was able to record the vehicle license plate and the suspect making admissions to the incident. The victim later disclosed there had been at least two instances when an unknown male adult had exposed himself or made lewd gestures to her at this same location. The incident was reported to the Sheriff's Department and was documented by Sheriff's patrol personnel.

Investigators from the Sheriff's Department Child Abuse Unit, using the video evidence were able to determine the identity of the suspect as 59 year old William Harris. Harris is a convicted felon and registered sex offender, per 290 PC. Harris lived and was registered in the City of Carlsbad.

On 3-2-10 Sheriff's Child Abuse Detectives served a search warrant on Harris's residence at 2550 Unicornio Street in Carlsbad in an attempt to locate further corroborating evidence. Harris was present at the home and was taken into custody without incident. Harris was subsequently booked into Vista Detention facility for felony 647.6©(2) PC Annoying or Molesting a Child with a prior offense.



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Sheriff's Investigators are interested in determining if anyone witnessed this incident or has further information about another unreported incident involving this location. Anyone with more information, please contact Sheriff's Child Abuse Detective Chris Davis at 858-974-2310