



Public Information Release

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Sergeant Steve Brooks, Public Information Officer

A Backhoe reported stolen from the Moore Family Winery the week after Thanksgiving has been recovered.

On Wednesday February 8, 2012 at about 12:17 pm, the Lake County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center received a call reporting the backhoe taken from the Moore Family Winery had been seen in the area of Harrington Flat Road and Sulphur Creek Road in Loch Lomond. The Backhoe which was originally orange in color had been spray painted green. The sighting was reported by an employee of the winery.

Deputies responded to the area and because of their diligence, were able to locate the backhoe. It appeared to have been hidden in the brush on private property located on Rocky's Point Road. The Lake County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Department of Fish and Game and the California Highway Patrol with the recovery. The backhoe was later returned to the Moore Family Winery. This case is still under investigation.

