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Media Release: March 3, 2021 Arson suspect arrested

At around 7:00pm on February 28, 2021 39-year-old Tanya Posey was arrested for PC451(D) – felony arson. Since mid-January Cal Fire, State Parks, and our deputies have responded to in excess of five suspicious fires in the Felton area and believe she is connected.

Posey was contacted in the Henry Cowell area shortly after a fire was intentionally started and was subsequently arrested for starting a different fire on January 19 on the 300 Blk of Felton Empire. The other fires are still under investigation. We are looking for anyone who may have information regarding these cases or may have seen Posey or heard her talk about igniting these fires.

If you have information, please contact Sgt. Detective Simpson at 831-454-7640 or Detective Pruger at 821-454-7096.



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