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**Gang Member Convicted of Attempted Murder**

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Today, David Ewing, 26 from Manteca, was convicted by jury of multiple felonies including Attempted Murder that was in association with the Norteño criminal street gang.

The charges stemmed from a robbery that occurred on September 26, 2010, during which the defendant and three others lured the victim to a secluded location in Happy Valley with the promise to sell the victim Oxycontin prescription pills. When the victim arrived with one of the co-defendants, one of the other three co-defendants produced a Tech 9 semi-automatic handgun and demanded the victim's money. After the victim handed over the \$1,200, he was shot.

After shooting the victim, Ewing and his co-defendants fled in a car driving from Happy Valley to southbound I-5. The victim followed the defendants' car as they made their escape. After the defendants shot at his car during that pursuit, the victim stopped his car and called 911 and reported that he was shot.

Minutes later, Shasta County Sheriff Deputies stopped the car that the defendants were in as it drove on to I-5 south from Gas Point Road.

The victim was treated and released from the emergency room the night of the robbery and shooting.

After a four week trial, the jury convicted the defendant of Attempted Murder, Robbery, Assault with a Firearm, Shooting at an Occupied Motor Vehicle, Conspiracy, and Street Terrorism. The jury also found true allegations that the defendant was armed with a firearm and that these crimes were committed for the benefit of, at the direction of, or in association with the Norteño criminal street gang.

The Judge will decide early next week whether the defendant has a prior strike for shooting at an inhabited dwelling in 2007. He is facing approximately fifty years to life in state prison.

This case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Eamon Fitzgerald and investigated by Detectives Nick Thompson and Eric Magrini from the Shasta County Sheriff's Office. Special Agent Robert Marquez from the Special Service Unit of the California Department of Correction and Rehabilitation provided expert testimony on the Norteño criminal street gang.

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