



To: ALL LOJACK - SVRN Coordinators

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Re: Monthly Update Report for January 2010, Southern California

During the month of January there were: **383** countable “activations.”

Los Angeles Co. = 226 ; Orange Co. = 29 ; Riverside Co. = 29 ; San Bernardino Co. = 32 ; Santa Barbara Co. = 1 ; San Diego Co. = 63; San Luis Obispo Co. = 0; Ventura Co =2; Imperial Co = 1.

Number of activations for this calendar year to date **Southern California (2010) = 383**

Total number of activations last calendar year = 4735

Total number of activations since system in operation (1990) **Southern California = 47013**

Total number of “chop shops” and or “rings” for LoJack system **Southern California = 375**

HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF January 2010:

LoJack of LOS ANGELES COUNTY:

On 01/02/10, Simi Valley patrol officers picked up the silent LoJack homing signal from the 2007 Honda Accord, with their on board LoJack Police Tracking Computer. The officers tracked the vehicle to the area of Stearns Ave and Los Angeles Street. The suspects had a minor traffic collision at a car port located inside an apartment complex, and fled on foot. Witnesses directed the officers to the fleeing suspects' location where officers set up a perimeter. The officers located one of the two suspects, and took him into custody for auto theft, without incident. This investigation is being conducted by Detectives from the Simi Valley Police Department.

On 1-3-10, **Pasadena Pd Air-PD1** flight officers picked up the silent signal of a stolen 2004 GMCYukon 21 minutes after entry into the NCIC stolen system by Anaheim Pd. After obtaining the description of the vehicle they tracked the signal from the south area of Pasadena to the So Pasadena /Los Angeles city area where they observed the vehicle parked near a body shop north of Huntington Dr. PD-1 alerted both So Pasadena Pd and LAPD of the location and directed ground units to the location of Huntington Dr and Eastern where apparently two subject had moved to while under surveillance by the air unit. Two adults were taken into custody resulting in the driver being arrested by South Pasadena officers and charged with VC 10851 DWOC. The passenger was released at the scene.

On 1-8-10, **within ten minutes of the LoJack system activating, LASD Air-22** picked up the LoJack signal from the victim's stolen 2008 Scion XD and were vectoring in Long Beach PD units to the vehicle's location. Responding LBPD officers observed the vehicle moving in traffic at Orange and Anaheim Streets with two males inside the vehicle. As back-up units arrived, they proceeded to conduct a high risk traffic stop, but the suspects speed away. The chase continued until the suspects lost control of the vehicle, hitting a tree. The passenger suspect quickly exited the crashed stolen vehicle, running from the scene but was quickly taken into custody by responding units. The driver suspect attempted to exit the vehicle but was quickly taken into custody. The officers' investigation discovered that the two suspects had burglarized the victim's home packing some of the stolen property on their person and inside the vehicle. The quick activation of the LoJack enabled the officers to quickly recover the stolen property before the suspects had time to sell it. Both suspects were arrested for 459 PC (Burglary) and a variety of other charges. Long Beach Detectives are investigating the case.

On 1-9-2010, flight officers from **Pasadena PD Air-PD-1** picked up the silent LoJack signal of a stolen 2005 GMC Sierra while on patrol. After obtaining the vehicle description, they began tracking the vehicle from the area of Washington and Fair Oaks Ave and followed it giving directions to responding ground units to Palm

Terrace and Mountain Ave. There they observed the vehicle pull up and watched as the driver/suspect exited the drivers seat and walked to a group of males at the location. That suspect was wearing distinctive clothing and made it easy for the ground units to pick him out of the group. The second suspect also was identified and was arrested without further incident. The handling officer indicated that the suspects cell phone was found inside the stolen vehicle. All suspects were later transferred to the Altadena Sheriffs jurisdiction for filing. The vehicle was released undamaged in the field to the victim.

On 01-11-09, Los Angeles County Sheriff's-Santa Clarita Station deputies picked up the silent signal from the stolen 2007 Melroe Bobcat on their on board LoJack Police Tracking Computer installed in their vehicle. The deputies picked up the silent signal in the Castaic area of Interstate 5 Freeway and Templin Highway, a rural area of Northern Los Angeles County. Additional deputies were requested to respond to the area to assist in the tracking. The Bobcat was located on a 60 acre parcel. Both Santa Clarita detectives and **TRAP-West and North Teams** (Task Force for Regional Auto theft Prevention) were notified to respond. A search warrant was obtained and executed at the location. The detectives recovered the stolen Bobcat along with 34 additional stolen vehicles and property which included; a utility Van, Kawasaki Mule, Ditch Witch tractor, 18 trailers, a Bounder motor home, a Ford motor home, two Airstream trailers, two Caterpillar 955 Tractors, two Ski Boats, numerous generators, several John Deer Gators, two Yamaha Raptor Quads, and Conex containers filled with misc. tools. A person of interest has been identified, and this investigation is being conducted by detectives from LASD-Santa Clarita Station. Detectives have classified this recovery as a theft ring (**# 375 for LoJack Southern Calif. Operations**) **The property and Vehicles recovered had an estimated value of well over 1 Million dollars.**

On 1-19-2010, the victim in this incident borrowed a 2001 Lexus RX300 from his employer a used car dealer and decided to pick up two female hitch hikers. As things developed, they went to a local hotel and there the females pulled a gun and demanded his money and keys. The next morning the victim informed his employer who reported the Lexus stolen to LAPD Mission Division. On 1-20-2010, officers from the Burbank Pd were on patrol in the area of Third and Provenca when they picked up the silent LoJack signal of the stolen 2001 Lexus RX300 within **seven (7) minutes of activation** into the stolen vehicle system/NCIC. After obtaining the description, the officers began tracking the vehicle. As one of the officers tracked he observed the vehicle, however, the driver of the stolen fled. Other officers overheard the broadcast and observed the vehicle crossing San Fernando Blvd at Santa Anita. The officers located the vehicle parked in a parking lot in the 100 block of East Santa Anita containing 4 males and one female. The driver, a juvenile and the other adults were taken into custody without further incident. All suspects were transported to the Burbank Pd for further investigation. LAPD Mission officers responded to the station and took custody of the suspects. Case being handled by LAPD Detectives.

On 1-21-10, Los Angeles School Police officers were patrolling schools in the La area when they picked up the silent LoJack signal of a 1997 Mazda MPV, E/B Whittier Blvd and Euclid. After obtaining the vehicle description from dispatch, they tracked and located the vehicle parked in a driveway of a residence in the 500 block of Bernal Ave, city of Los Angeles. The officers conducted an investigation and door knocked the residence. There they made contact with a adult male and located the victims drivers license and car keys on his person. The suspect was placed under arrest and transported to LAPD Hollenbeck Division for follow up. Note the suspect apparently confessed to stealing the vehicle. The vehicle was stored for safe keeping and later released to the happy owner.

On 01/21/10, **LAPD " Air 16"** flight officers picked up the silent LoJack homing signal from the stolen 1995 Honda Accord on their on board LoJack police tracking computer. The flight officers tracked the vehicle while requesting ground units to respond. LAPD-Van Nuys patrol units located the vehicle in the area of the 101 freeway and Woodman Ave. The officers conducted felony traffic stop and took the suspect into custody for 487 PC (GTA) without incident. Officers found that the suspect had punched the ignition. This investigation is being conducted by the Auto Theft detectives from Van Nuys Division.

On 1-23-10, **within three minutes of the LoJack system activating**, LASD Deputies picked up the LoJack signal from the victim's stolen 2008 Ford Mustang. They tracked the signal to the 1700 block of 103th Street where they observed the vehicle parked and unoccupied. They requested back-up units and set up a surveillance of the vehicle. Within minutes, they observed two male suspects enter the vehicle and drive away. The deputies conducted a high risk traffic stop, taking both suspects into custody. The passenger suspect admitted to finding the keys at school, going through the parking lot and pressing the clicker until the lights turned on the vehicle. He stole the vehicle, then picked up the other suspect and told him the vehicle was

stolen. The suspect also admitted to crashing into another vehicle as he was exiting the school. Both suspects were arrested for 487 (D) PC (Grand Theft Auto), 10851 VC (Driving without Owners Consent. Century Detectives are conducting the investigation.

On 1-25-10, **within fifteen minutes of the LoJack signal being activated**, a LAPD WLA Division unit picked up the signal from the victim's stolen **2008 Case Loader**. They tracked the signal to a vacant lot located at Sunset and Beverly Glen Blvd. hidden behind some trees. The stolen equipment was running, had three quarters of a tank of gas and the ignition had been broken so that any key or screwdriver would start the loader. It appeared that the suspect was possibly scared off prior to the officers arrival. Detectives from LAPD Burglary Auto Theft (BAD CATS) responded and released the equipment to one happy owner. BAD CATS are investigating the case.

On 1-25-10, officers from the West Covina Police Department were on patrol when they picked up the silent LoJack signal of a stolen 1995 Honda Civic that had just been entered into the Stolen Vehicle System/NCIC minutes prior by LAPD Devonshire Division. That information was broadcasted and picked up by **El Monte Air-45** flight officers who responded to the area. After obtaining the description, Air-45 and ground units followed the directional signal and spotted the vehicle. The driver of the stolen Honda refused to yield and a high speed pursuit ensued. The pursuit terminated at Homerest and Workman where the suspects crashed. The suspects fled the vehicle and were apprehended without further incident. Detectives have filed felony charges against the two suspects charging VC 10851 DWOC, Grand Theft Auto, Felony Evading.

On 01/25/10, patrol deputies from **LASD COPS Bureau, Palmdale High Impact Team**, picked up the silent LoJack homing signal from the 2005 Toyota Camry with the LoJack Police Tracking Computer installed in their patrol cars. The deputies began tracking the vehicle from the area of the 14 freeway and Avenue S, and located the vehicle in the area of 1240 East Avenue S, which is an apartment building. The vehicle was parked under a carport, and was unoccupied. The deputies requested an undercover deputy in an unmarked police vehicle to park and watch the stolen vehicle. A suspect was observed loading up and moving the car from one parking space to another parking space within the apartment complex. The front license plate was bent upward and the suspect "cold plated" the rear plate. The cold plate was from an exact year, make, and model from a vehicle located on the east side of Palmdale. The deputies were able to find the other vehicle and retrieve the stolen vehicle plate. A probation search was conducted on the suspect's residence. After the search, deputies found items which will connect this suspect to many vehicle and residential burglaries that have occurred in the area. The suspect was taken into custody for 487 PC (GTA) without incident. This investigation is being conducted by detectives from Palmdale Station.

On 1-26-10, the victim was placing realty "for sale" signs on a property located in So Pasadena when an "armed" Parolee approached him and demanded his 2008 BMW 328. The suspect then fled in the victim's BMW. Immediately the victim called So Pasadena Pd who entered the stolen BMW into the California Stolen Vehicle System/NCIC. **Within 6 minutes** of entry, LAPD Northeast patrol officers picked up the LoJack silent signal in the area of Figueroa and Colorado Blvd. Alerting other assisting units, the officers began tracking the vehicle. They lost the signal for a moment then picked it up again in the 6200 block of Annan Way, where they saw the suspect jump out of the vehicle and flee on foot. A perimeter was immediately set up and Canine officers were called in to search. Within a few minutes of arrival, **Canine "JACCO"** got the scent of the suspect and tracked him to a residence in the 6200 block of Annan Way. The suspect was located hiding inside the residence which he had broken into. **"JACCO" took a "bite out of crime"** and the suspect was taken into custody. The suspect was booked for various felony charges and the vehicle later processed and released to the victim. So Pasadena PD Detectives are handling this case to completion.

LoJack of ORANGE COUNTY:

On 1-12-2010. **Costa Mesa/Newport Air-EAGLE** flight officers picked the silent LoJack signal of a stolen 1999 Toyota Corolla within minutes of activation by Santa Ana PD. EAGLE tracked the vehicle from the 405 Freeway and Bristol to the area of Central and Bristol directing ground units. Officers from Santa Ana Pd rolled to the area and as one of the units was driving in an alley, they observed the vehicle backing out of a parking space. The unit began following the vehicle while waiting for back up and when sufficient units arrived, conducted a felony traffic stop in the 2400 block. One Juvenile was taken into custody without further incident and detained for VC 10851 Driving without owners consent.

LoJack of SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY:

On 01-19-2010, Riverside Sheriff's Deputies assigned to the Cabazon Station picked up the silent LoJack homing signal from a 2008 Toyota Corolla, which was reported stolen the day before to San Bernardino Sheriff's Yucca Valley Station (Morongo/29 Palms Basin). The first unit receiving the signal was in the area of Esperanza and Almond, in the lower Cabazon region. The deputy initiated a broadcast of the LoJack activation, his location and signal direction. Additional LoJack equipped units quickly responded to the area and soon established that the signal was coming from a casino located on the Indian Reservation. A deputy assigned to the reservation located the stolen vehicle parked, unoccupied, on one of the parking lots. Surveillance was established by utilizing an unmarked pickup truck, which was parked in front of the stolen vehicle. Within about one half hour a male and female approached, unlocked the vehicle with a key and entered the stolen vehicle. Before they could drive off the uniformed deputies blocked their path taking both suspects into custody without incident. Both suspects were arrested for Auto Theft and Possession of Stolen Property and the male had just been released from parole for auto theft. It sure didn't take long for him to get back to his old way of life. The undamaged vehicle was released to the owner.

On 01-25-2010, **just twelve minutes after being activated**, San Bernardino PD Officers picked up the silent LoJack homing signal from the 2002 Honda CRV-LX, which had just been reported stolen to Riverside PD. The officers initiated a broadcast of the LoJack hit, signal direction (southbound) and their location (Orange Show and "E" Street). Also receiving the signal was San Bernardino Sheriff's Flight Deputies flying **Helicopter 40-KING** and Colton PD officers. 40-KING tracked and "isolated" the signal to an apartment complex in the 900 block of Washington Boulevard, in the city of Colton. Colton PD officers checked the complex and located the stolen vehicle parked, unoccupied, in a visitor's space. CHP Investigative Services Unit (ISU) also arrived and assumed the investigation utilizing unmarked undercover vehicles. About one and one half hours later a male adult approached, unlocked the car (with a key), entered and started the car up. The CHP Investigators moved in blocking his exit and taking him into custody without incident. The investigation revealed that the victim had placed the keys in the car on the seat. While she went into her residence to get her elderly mother the suspect took the car. He was arrested for Auto Theft and Possession of Stolen Property and also had prior arrests for Auto Theft. The undamaged vehicle was processed for evidence then towed and stored.

LoJack of RIVERSIDE COUNTY:

On 01-16-2010, CHP Riverside Area units patrolling the I-15 Freeway at Warrick Road (unincorporated area of Corona) picked up the silent LoJack homing signal from a 2007 Ingersoll/Rand Compressor, which had been stolen in a commercial burglary and reported to the Riverside PD the day before. It was tracked and "isolated" to a property on Warrick Road east of the I-15 Freeway, where they also observed a male adult suspect leaving the location. The suspect was stopped and detained and it was determined that he was also a Parolee At Large with an outstanding warrant. He gave consent to search a shed on the property where the compressor was located. He also had additional information on a "named suspect" who had brought the compressor to the property. CHP Investigative Services Unit (ISU) were requested and responded to assume the investigation. This suspect was arrested for Parole Violation and gave additional information on another dump truck and trailer located a distance from this property that the possible second suspect had been seen with. The ISU Investigators located this truck (a 2005 Peterbuilt Dump Truck and trailer) also a reported stolen out of the City of Corona. A portable tracking device was placed on this truck and three days later on 01-19-2010 it went mobile. ISU Investigators with the assistance of uniformed patrol CHP Rancho Cucamonga Units tracked and located the stolen dump truck on the I-15 Freeway in the City of Rancho Cucamonga. The driver was also the "named suspect" which had been given to them in the compressor theft. He was arrested for Auto Theft and Possession of Stolen Property and all property was released to the rightful owners. ISU is conducting further investigation to determine other involvement and criminal activity by both suspects in this case. The estimated value of this LoJack recovery is placed at \$80,000.00. Special recognition goes out to the Riverside PD Dispatcher who assisted in getting the compressor entered into the state stolen vehicle system.

On 10-13-2010, a Riverside Sheriff's Deputy working the County Area of Lake Elsinore (known as Goodhope), picked up the silent LoJack homing signal from a 2000 Acura Integra, which had been reported stolen the San Bernardino Police Department the day before. He first acquired the signal at Mountain and State Highway 74, which he tracked and "isolated" to a property in the 21000 block of Mountain. The deputy observed the back end of a black vehicle, which matched the stolen vehicle description, but due to the distance was unable to determine if this was the stolen vehicle. With the assistance of other deputies and the (POP) Team, they entered the property and verified that this was the stolen vehicle and made contact with the occupant of the residence. As it turns out, he was on parole for receiving stolen property. He also stated that a "buddy" had

brought the vehicle to the location and was willing to co-operate with the deputies. He made a phone call to his "buddy" and told him to "come and get the car out of here", because he didn't feel good about it being there. Knowing that the second suspect was en-route to get the car, the deputies hid in the background and when the suspect arrived he too was taken into custody. Both suspects were arrested for Possession of Stolen Property and the resident was also charged with Parole Violation. The vehicle, which was partially stripped, was processed for evidence and impounded.

LoJack of SAN DIEGO COUNTY:

On 01-16-10, an Escondido police officer was on patrol near the Escondido/San Marcos border, when he received the silent signal from a stolen **2001 Infinity just three minutes after it had been reported stolen.** He started following the signal and located the vehicle in a shopping center in the 700 block of Center Dr. Two suspects were in the vehicle, and after an interview one of the suspects was arrested. The suspect was booked for auto theft and the car was stored for safe keeping to be returned to the owner.

On 01-19-10, An El Cajon Police Officer was on patrol in the 300 block of Chambers St. when he received the silent signal from a stolen **2006 Toyota just five minutes after it had been reported stolen.** He started tracking the signal and two other officers also received the signal and assisted with the tracking. After a short time, the vehicle was observed in a storage facility in the 800 block of Benedict Ave. As they were watching the suspects, a fourth officer arrived to assist. The officers approached the three suspects and detained them for questioning. One of the suspects had the keys to the stolen vehicle in his possession and stolen property was in the car. A search warrant was obtained and the storage container was also searched, which revealed stolen property from other burglaries. The suspects were arrested and booked on a variety of charges and the investigation is continuing on the evidence found in the search warrant.

On 01-25-10, two San Diego Police Officers assigned to Central Division were monitoring traffic regarding a LoJack equipped stolen car, when they received the silent signal from the **2003 Volkswagen Golf just four minutes after it had been reported stolen.** They started tracking the signal and observed the vehicle facing s/b at 17th St. and Market. The vehicle continued on and a third officer who was also tracking the vehicle, observed it at 17th St. and Island Ave. With back-up units in place, the officers initiated a felony stop on the vehicle. After interviewing the suspects, all three were arrested for auto theft. The car was recovered without sustaining any damage and was stored to be returned to the rightful owner.

On 01-27-10, a San Diego Police Officer assigned to Western Division had monitored radio traffic that a stolen vehicle was headed his direction from where it had been reported stolen to Chula Vista police. **Approximately ten minutes after the vehicle had been reported stolen; the Officer received the silent signal from the stolen 1997 Jeep Grand Cherokee** near Ebbers St. and W. Point Loma Blvd. Approximately at the same time, a second officer also received the signal and started following it until he observed it in the 4300 block of Voltair St. A traffic stop was initiated and as the car came to a stop the driver fled on foot but was soon captured. The driver and passenger were both arrested and booked for auto theft with additional charges on the driver of a prior conviction for auto theft and parole hold. The vehicle was recovered without sustain any damage and was later returned to the owner.

MEXICO RECOVERIES: LoJack Mexico (CarMart) assisted authorities to recover ten (_10_) US stolen vehicles during the month of January 2010.

NO NOTABLE ACTIONS IN THE BELOW COUNTIES FOR JAN 2010

LoJack of VENTURA COUNTY:

LoJack of IMPERIAL COUNTY:

LoJack of SANTA BARBARA COUNTY:

LoJack of SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY: