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Media Release

Case Number: NPD19-002920

Date/Time: 05/25/19 about 9:56 pm and
05/26/19 about 9:20 pm

Location: Napa Valley Expo, 575 3rd. Street

Arrested: Peterson William Fontes 42 years old,
Richmond Resident

Charges:
(1) 289 PC FELONY – PENETRATION BY A FOREIGN OBJECT
(2) 459 PC BURGLARY
(3) 594(b) (1) PC FELONY – VANDALISM
(4) 647(i) PC MISDEMEANOR – PEEKING WHILE LOITERING

On May 25th 2019, around 9:56pm, Napa Police got a 911 call from a woman who said she had been assaulted at the BottleRock Music Festival. Napa Police Officers responded to the north east portion of the Napa Valley Expo designated for the restrooms. The victim told officers she was inappropriately touched by an unknown offender as she used the restroom.

Officers discovered the wall of the portable restroom had been compromised which allowed the offender to reach into the interior of the restroom. Once Napa Police learned of the incident, we immediately contacted BottleRock Security and checked the other portable restrooms to see if they had been comprised. Several other portable restrooms were found to have been tampered with.

Napa Police Detectives, working with the Napa County District Attorney’s Office and the Napa County Sheriff’s Department, took over the investigation. Officers began processing evidence and reviewing video surveillance in an attempt to identify an offender.
Police and representatives from BottleRock immediately met to put a safety plan in place for the final day of the festival. All affected restrooms were either replaced or repaired. The safety plan focused on additional security measures while BottleRock continued.

On May 26th 2019, around 9:20pm, a BottleRock staff member was walking through the area of a bank of portable restrooms conducting a check. The staff member saw a man behind one of the portable restrooms acting suspicious. The staff member confronted the man and stayed with him until Napa Police Officers arrived.

The man was identified as Peterson William Fontes. The area where Fontes was seen was checked and a portable restroom was located that had been compromised in a manner consistent with the incident on May 25th. Fontes was placed under arrest and transported to the Napa Police Department where he was interviewed.

Fontes was later transported to the Napa County Department of Corrections where he was booked.

If anyone has additional information or witnessed suspicious behavior related to this, we ask that they call Detective Brandt Keown at (707) 257-9592 or bkeown@cityofnapa.org and report the information.

The safety and security of all BottleRock attendees is our top priority.