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CASTRO VALLEY MAN SENTENCED TO EIGHT YEARS IN PRISON FOR TRANSPORTING METHAMPHETAMINE FOR SALE

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that on June 15 Galen Trigg, age 44, was sentenced to eight years in prison for transporting methamphetamine for sale.

On July 19, 2016, at approximately 8:45 p.m., California Highway Patrol Officer Robert Padilla stopped Trigg for a traffic violation near the Northridge Mall in Salinas. Trigg displayed objective signs of impairment due to a stimulant, and stated he was on federal probation for a firearm conviction. Officers searched Trigg's car and found 498 grams - over a pound - of methamphetamine, 29.5 grams of heroin, 2.8 grams of cocaine, prescription pills, marijuana, a digital scale, drug packaging, two methamphetamine pipes, and three cell phones. Trigg was later interviewed at the Salinas Police Department and admitted to being a drug dealer who sells narcotics in Salinas and the Bay Area.

Monterey County Superior Court Judge Robert A. Burlison sentenced Trigg to eight years in prison. Trigg's sentence was enhanced due to two prior convictions for narcotics trafficking, as well as a weight enhancement due to the large quantity methamphetamines.

The case was investigated by California Highway Patrol Officer Robert Padilla, as well Salinas Police Officers Tyler Provost and Justin Salinas.

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