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**PRESS INFORMATION**

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**TYPE OF INCIDENT:** Attempted Murder

**CASE NUMBER:** 21-00760

**GENERAL LOCATION:** 8400 Block of STATE HIGHWAY 99W

**DATE AND TIME OF INCIDENT:** Monday April 19, 2021 at about 09:12 AM

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**VICTIM NAME:** Lopez, George

**AGE:** 47

**CITY OF RESIDENCE:** GERBER

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**SUSPECT:** WILLIAMS, MATTHEW VAUGHN PERRY

**AGE:** 35 Years

**CITY OF RESIDENCE:** Gerber

**CHARGES:** 664/187 PC – Attempt Murder

**BAIL:** \$0

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**SUMMARY OF INCIDENT:**

On 04/19/2021 at about 9:12 AM Tehama County Dispatch received a call from the El Camino Water District stating there was a subject at their business who had been stabbed or shot. Deputies arrived on scene at about 9:20 AM and located the victim on the ground bleeding from what appeared to be a stab wound to his upper chest. Deputies and citizens provided first aid and Emergency Medical personnel arrived approximately 2 minutes later. The victim was transported via ambulance to St. Elizabeth's Hospital and treated for his wound.

Prior to being transported the victim and witnesses were able to provide deputies with a vehicle description and name. Deputies had Tehama County Dispatch put that information out as a BOLO and a CHP Officer was able to locate the vehicle and suspect on Windmill St. in Proberta. The suspect WILLIAMS, MATTHEW VAUGHN PERRY, was interviewed and subsequently arrested for the listed charge and booked into Tehama County Jail. Mr. Williams stated he went to speak to Mr. Lopez regarding an ongoing dispute when he was attacked and defended himself.

The victim was listed in serious but stable condition.

Reporting Officer: S159