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TWO ARRESTED FOR CULTIVATION

Gulf County Sheriff Mike Harrison announces the arrest of Ronnie D. Morgan (60) and Paula M. Grappin (52) on charges of Cultivation of Marijuana, Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. The arrests stem from an investigation into a residential burglary.

On Thursday, May 21, 2015, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office received a report of a residential burglary in the 300 block of Texas Street in Wewahitchka. Several items were stolen from the residence. Morgan was developed as a suspect in the case and an investigation was conducted.

Yesterday, Investigators and deputies executed a search warrant on Morgan's residence at 137 Laurelwood Street in Wewahitchka. Grappin, Morgan's girlfriend, was contacted at the residence and informed of the reason for the search warrant. She told investigators that the plants in the back yard were not hers. Investigators observed 21 marijuana plants in the back yard of the residence. Grappin was taken into custody and the scene was secured until another search warrant for marijuana and illegal narcotics was issued.

Upon securing the additional search warrant Investigators located four marijuana plants as part of a grow operation inside the residence, methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia and the stolen property. Marijuana was also grown in the back yard of the residence. Marijuana leafs were found drying out inside the home as part of the final process of the grow. Morgan and Grappin were arrested and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility. Morgan also faces one count of Burglary of an Unoccupied Structure.

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