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**Motorist Flees Peace Officer**

**What:** Subject fled from Law Enforcement

**Where:** US Highway 81 - Campbell Farms South of Grafton

**When:** August 4, 2019 @ 4:54 P.M

- **Vehicle No. 1:** 1998 Chevrolet Malibu
- **Driver No. 1:** Julio Mendoza; 28; of Grafton, ND
- **Charges:** driving while license revoked, fleeing or attempting to elude a peace officer

**NARRATIVE:** On Sunday, August 4, 2019, at 4:54 P.M. a North Dakota Highway Patrol Trooper attempted a traffic stop on a motorist for expired registration on US Highway 81 south of Grafton. Julio Mendoza fled the scene on foot after stopping his motor vehicle and entered a building associated with Campbell Farms. North Dakota Highway Patrol and Walsh County law enforcement secured the scene and conducted a search of the building. Mendoza was not located and his whereabouts are currently unknown.

Mendoza is a resident of Grafton and may be in the Grafton, ND area. Mendoza is NOT considered dangerous or a threat to public safety, if you see him, do not approach, call 911. Mendoza was last seen wearing blue jean shorts and a red shirt. If you have any information on Mendoza’s whereabouts, contact your local law enforcement agency.

**UPDATE:**

*Mendoza has turned himself in tonight at the Walsh County Law Enforcement Center. He has been taken into custody and has been charged accordingly.*
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