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UPDATE: Pioche Walk Away In Custody

Claude Laska is back in custody thanks to a multi-agency investigation which led to his arrest at approximately 1:35 this afternoon. Earlier in the day it was reported a vehicle had been broken into and a shotgun and ammunition was stolen outside the town of Pioche. After a few hours searching, a Nevada Department of Corrections Sergeant located Laska and with the assistance of Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputies, took him into custody. Laska was booked into the Lincoln County Jail for Burglary of a Motor Vehicle, Grand Larceny of a Firearm, Escape and Ex-Felon in Possession of a firearm. He will be returned to the custody of NDOC and will be housed at Ely State Prison.

Nevada Department of Corrections thanks the following agencies for their assistance in this investigation: Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Nevada Division of State Parks, Nevada Department of Wildlife, Nevada Division of Investigation, the Eastern Nevada Narcotics Task Force and the US Bureau of Land Management.

October 9th 2017

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Walk away from Pioche Conservation Camp

The Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) reports that at approximately 4:30 PM this evening a minimum security male inmate walked away from Pioche Conservation Camp in Pioche, Nevada.

Inmate Claude Laska, #1173740, a 24 year old white male, arrived at NDOC from Clark County, March 2, 2017. Laska was serving 19 to 72 months for Home Invasion and other lesser charges was last seen this afternoon at the camp. He was wearing prison blue denim pants with a blue shirt.

Laska is 6 feet 2 inches tall, 180 pounds with brown eyes, a fair complexion and dark brown hair. Laska has a tattoo on his right arm of the Albanian flag, left hand fingers say "401" and right wrist area states "Loyalty" among other tattoos. A re-take warrant has been issued. Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Claude Laska, please contact 911 or their local law enforcement agency.



Claude Laska

NDOC partners with the Nevada Division of Forestry to run 9 Conservation Camps in the state. The camps are for minimum security inmates who are scheduled to be released within two years. Inmates in the camps are trained to fight wildland fires and are deployed to handle weed abatement, highway clean-up and other jobs when in the off season. Over 500 inmates assisted with sandbagging and other jobs during the recent flooding in Northern Nevada.