
LANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
NEWS RELEASE



CASE NUMBER: 18-7383
DATE/ TIME OF INCIDENT: 10/28/2018 5:49 pm
DATE/ TIME OF RELEASE: 10/29/2018 3:00 pm
NATURE OF STORY: Suspect Arrested After Assaulting Railway Employee
ARRESTED: Hugo Galvan, 22 y/o, unknown city of residence

DETAILS:

On October 28, 2018 at 5:49 pm, the Lane County Sheriff's Office received a report of a male on a moving passenger train near Dexter Reservoir threatening an employee and demanding the train be stopped. The Lane County Sheriff's Office responded with the Oakridge Police Department and the Oregon State Police.

Initial investigation indicates that 22 year old Hugo Galvan boarded the train in Portland. As the train neared Dexter Reservoir in Lane County, Galvan reportedly approached a female railway employee, asked to use a phone, and demanded to get off the train. Galvan reportedly put the employee in a type of choke hold until another passenger intervened. Several other train employees and passengers assisted in maintaining control of Galvan until the train stopped in Oakridge where Oakridge Police were present and detained Galvan.

Two people aboard the train were injured including the employee who was reportedly strangled by Galvan and a passenger who was injured while attempting to subdue Galvan. At the time of the incident the train was carrying 158 passengers and 16 railway employees.

It is unknown at this time why Galvan wanted off the train. Galvan was lodged at the Lane County Jail on Strangulation, Menacing, Assault in the Fourth Degree x 2, and Interfering with Public Transportation.

The Lane County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the Oakridge Police Department and the Oregon State Police for assisting, and the brave men and women aboard the train for assisting the railway employee and subduing Galvan until the train could be stopped.

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