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Woodland Man Commits New Felonies After Being Released as a Result of California Judicial Council's Statewide Emergency "0" Bail Schedule Jacob James was arrested on auto theft charges, looting during a state of emergency, and violation of a shelter order.

(Woodland, CA) – April 20, 2020 – Woodland man Jacob Dakota James has been charged with multiple felonies by the Yolo County District Attorney's Office after being arrested by Woodland police on April 18, 2020, following his release from custody. James was released as a result of California Judicial Council's Statewide Emergency "0" Bail Schedule, which was adopted on April 6, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. James, 27 years of age, was pending multiple felony charges after being released from custody in Yolo County on April 9. He committed additional felonies on April 13, and on April 18, at which time he was arrested again by Woodland police.

The criminal Complaint filed on April 20, 2020 alleges that James committed separate felony auto thefts on April 9, 13 and 18, felony "looting within an affected county in a state of emergency" on April 9, 13, and 18; felony "evading a peace officer with reckless driving" on April 18; misdemeanor possession of burglary tools on April 9; misdemeanor "resisting or obstructing a peace officer" on April 18; and misdemeanor "violation of an order issued by Yolo County Public Health officials during an epidemic" on April 9, 13 and 18.

At the time James committed the new felonies from April 9 to April 18, he was on "Mandatory Supervision" having been sentenced on August 13, 2019, in Yolo County to 18 months in county prison and 18 months on "Mandatory Supervision" for committing two felonies: auto theft and carrying a concealed knife. James is currently being held at the Yolo County jail and will be arraigned on the pending charges on April 22, 2020, at 1:30 pm in Department 1 of the Yolo County Superior Court. The Judicial Council's "0" Bail Schedule does not apply to the crime of "looting within an affected county in a state of emergency."

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