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Mountain Lion Sighting

Pacifica, CA- On December 26, 2021, at approximately 7:33 AM, officers from the Pacifica Police Department were dispatched to the rear yard of a residence in the 1100 block of Valencia Way, for a mountain lion that was reportedly in the backyard and eating a chicken. Upon arrival, the resident said the mountain lion took one of his chickens from a coup and was now somewhere on the hillside. Officers located an adult mountain lion approximately 30 yards behind the house, consuming the chicken. The mountain lion did not appear to pose a threat to human life. The immediate neighbors were contacted and advised not to go into their backyards and to bring in any pets.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife was contacted, who contacted the Department of Wildlife Management. Police personnel on scene were advised that since the mountain lion appeared to pose no threat to human life, officers should simply monitor the mountain lion's activity until it returned back into the open space surrounding the area. A Fish and Wildlife Officer responded to the scene to speak with the resident. Pacifica Police Officers stayed on scene until approximately 9:44 AM, when the mountain lion left the area.

The Pacifica Police Department reminds community members that living in the habitat of wildlife can present challenges. Specific information on mountain lion safety can be found at: [Staying Safe in Mountain Lion Country](#) .

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