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## NEWS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release

Date: January 29, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Title: Stolen Vehicle Pursuit and Arrest Ends Outside of Parachute, CO

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GARFIELD COUNTY, CO. –



Vehicle Recovered Following Pursuit

Garfield County Deputies located a vehicle in Glenwood Springs that was reportedly stolen from Greeley, Colorado. Deputies attempted to contact the person driving the vehicle however, the driver refused to stop.

A pursuit was initiated on westbound I-70. Deputies continuously monitored traffic and road conditions to determine if the pursuit could be continued safely. The Silt Police Department deployed a tire deflation device on I-70 near Silt. The device successfully deflated three of the four tires.

The pursuit continued at a slower rate of speed for several miles. Deputies followed the suspect assuring that westbound traffic did not overtake the disabled vehicle. The vehicle lost control and came to a stop at mile marker 77 on the westbound lane of I-70. (See photo)

A male and female, Jesse Andrew Jabonero, DOB: 08/28/1992 and Justina Rocha, DOB: 05/06/2002 out of California were arrested and transported to the Garfield County Jail.



Jesse Andrew Jabonero



Justina Rocha

**Charges Included:**

- Motor Vehicle Theft – First Degree
- Vehicular Eluding (felony)
- Criminal possession of a forged instrument (possess counterfeited) (felony)
- Criminal Possession of an identification document
- Failed to drive in a single lane (weaving)/changed lanes when unsafe
- Obstructing a peace officer, firefighter, emergency medical services etc. (misdemeanor)

The Garfield County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the Silt Police Department and members of the Special Problems Enforcement and Response Team (SPEAR) for their assistance in bringing this incident to successful conclusion.

All subjects are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

**Additional information will be released as it becomes available.**

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