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Report of Subject with a Firearm

At about 9:38 A.M. today, the Pleasanton Police Department received multiple calls reporting a male subject that was seen wearing body armor and running with an assault weapon in a residential area near Fairlands Drive and Pimlico Drive. He was later spotted by a Zone 7 employee running into the Arroyo Del Valle, just north of Stoneridge Dr., about ¼ mile east of Santa Rita Rd. Responding patrol units arrived and quickly established a perimeter. The East County Tactical Team, which happened to be training nearby in Livermore, also responded. They utilized an armored vehicle to approach the subject along the service road. The subject, a 16 year-old male, was found to be in possession of an Airsoft gun which closely resembled an actual rifle. He was also in possession of a brown utility vest which is similar in appearance to body armor. He was cited for discharging an air gun within the city limits and released to a parent.

As a precaution, the staff and children at the nearby Hacienda Preschool were instructed to shelter in place during the incident.

Although nobody was injured during this event, the Pleasanton Police Department wants to remind members of the community that discharging air guns is illegal within the city limits. In addition, due to their realistic appearance, incidents such as these can lead to tragic consequences. Fortunately, that did not occur in this instance.