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Headline: Thurston County Narcotics Taskforce Take Down 4 Illegal Grows

Details:

On March 15, 2018, members of the Thurston County Narcotics Taskforce, which is comprised of investigators from Thurston County Sheriff's Office, Washington State Patrol and Washington State Gambling Commission served 4 search warrants on illegal marijuana grows. They seized over 2000 plants, 300 lbs of processed marijuana (with a street value in excess of \$1 million dollars), \$30,000 in gold bars, 4 firearms, \$1 million dollars in grow equipment, 6 high end vehicles and other items of value.

The grows were linked to one another and were located in the southwest area of Thurston County and Oakville. 5 men were arrested for Unlawful Manufacturing of a Controlled Substance and Unlawful Possession with Intent to Deliver.

The investigation is ongoing and more arrests will likely follow.

