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POLICE RELEASE PHOTOS OF TRUCK AND BOAT

MODESTO, Calif. – Police investigators revealed photos of a truck and boat owned by Scott Peterson and urge the public to contact the Department if anyone recalls seeing the truck and boat between December 23 and December 25th. Modesto Police Department continues their search for Laci Peterson, the 27-year-old expectant mother who has been missing since Christmas Eve.

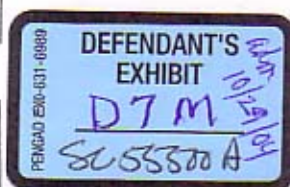
Her husband, Scott Peterson, reportedly last saw Laci at 9:30 on Christmas Eve morning. Scott left the family residence in his pickup truck, hooked the boat up at another location and went to a marina in Berkley for a fishing trip. The truck is a 2002, Ford F150 pickup, bronze in color, with California license 6T59718. The boat is a 1991, 14-foot aluminum boat and trailer with a 15 horsepower outboard motor.

Police are trying to corroborate Scott's trip to the Berkley area. Detectives are continuing to seek information in Laci's disappearance. "We're continuing to investigate every logical direction and seek the public's help to provide information," said Detective Doug Ridenour, Modesto Police Department Public Information Officer.

A hotline number has been established and has received over 1100 tips since Christmas Day. That number is 209-342-6166.

For additional information on this case, you may view the Modesto Police Department web page at www.modestopolice.com. Photos of the truck and boat are also on the web page.

For information about this news advisory contact Detective Doug Ridenour, Modesto Police Department Media Relations Office at (209) 572-9579.



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