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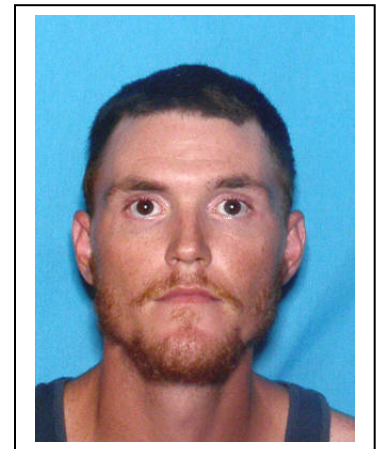
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Traveler Wanted Sex with Minor

June 20, 2013 (Bushnell, FL) – Sumter Sheriff’s Detectives have arrested a Marion County man who traveled to Bushnell to meet a minor for sex.

Travis Rodgers, 29, of Ocklawaha was arrested after he arranged to meet a 14 year-old girl he had solicited over the internet for sex. The 14 year-old girl was actually a Sumter Sheriff’s Detective who was online posing as the 14 year-old. The Detective and Rodgers communicated through online messaging, texts, and phone calls where Rodgers described explicit sex acts he wanted to perform on the girl.

Rodgers arranged to meet the girl at the Kenny Dixon Sports Complex in Bushnell, And when he arrived, he was arrested without incident. Rodgers is charged with Use of the Internet to Entice / Lure a Minor for Sex, Traveling to Meet a Minor for Sex, and two Counts of Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communication Device.



Rodgers is being held in The Sumter County Detention Center without bail; he is currently on probation in Marion County on Child Neglect charges.

Sheriff Farmer states “these arrests of online predators protect children, and the Sumter County Sheriff’s Office will continue to protect children, our most valued asset.”

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