

HITCHHIKER TURNED ROBBER

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Having your vehicle stolen is no fun. It happened to one Gallup resident when he was a good samaritan and gave a ride to a hitchhiker, near Andy's Trading Company, 612 W. Wilson Ave. The ride lasted long enough to get some ways out of town when an unknown mile marker on N.M. 602 when the currently unidentified shady individual pulled out a handgun and demanded that he get out of the vehicle.

The driver got out of the vehicle and watched as the vehicle drove off south. The victim's phone was also in the vehicle and had no way to call for help. The stranded driver had to hitchhike to Window Rock in order to find help. From there he was able to get a ride back to Gallup Police Department, where a report was filed.

The vehicle is a 2007 black Nissan Frontier, with license plates reading 290SPK. The victim described the suspect as a Hispanic male about 6 feet tall wearing a white cap. If you have information about this incident, call Crime Stoppers at 877-722-6161.