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A 31-year-old woman named Jasmyn Cuellar was caught with methamphetamine after she was pulled over during a traffic stop.

On Oct. 21, around 12:15 pm, Gallup Police Officer Julio Yazzie was dispatched to the Springhill Suites after someone called Metro Dispatch about a “domestic dispute.” The caller said a woman was screaming from a gray pickup truck.

When Yazzie located the vehicle, it pulled out onto Lincoln Avenue and headed east. Yazzie was able to stop the truck at the intersection of Carver Street and Lincoln Avenue. In his report Yazzie notes that there were three people in the truck, a man and two women.

All three people told Yazzie that nothing was going on, but one of the women said security officers from Heritage Plaza were “possibly picking on her.” Yazzie asked for all of their IDs, but only the driver had a driver’s license.

Yazzie checked all three of the peoples’ names with Metro Dispatch, and Cuellar’s came back with an outstanding warrant.

Cuellar was reportedly nervous when she spoke to Yazzie, saying she was nervous to go to jail. Yazzie placed her in the backseat of his patrol car and went back to the truck to grab her bag.

When Yazzie returned to his patrol car with a stripped bag, Cuellar told him that wasn’t her bag.

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Yazzie searched through the bag and found a medium-sized bag with a baggie of a crystal-like substance that Yazzie believed to be methamphetamine inside it. He also found some straws with burnt ends, a lighter, and glass pipe that had a white substance inside it on Cuellar herself.

GPD Officer Norman Bowman arrived at the scene to help Yazzie and took the crystal-like substance to a lab so it could be tested. When Bowman asked Cuellar what the substance was, she admitted it was meth.

Cuellar was charged with her outstanding warrant and possession of a controlled substance. Her preliminary hearing is scheduled for Nov. 15.

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