



# News Release

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## **HOBOKEN MAN CHARGED IN WOODS ARSON**

The Georgia Forestry Commission announced today that one suspect has been arrested in connection with three wildfires in Brantley County.

Dustin Crews, 17, of Hoboken, GA, was arrested May 6<sup>th</sup> and charged with Georgia Statute 16-7-63, Arson of lands.

Investigators said the charges came as result of an investigation into three arson fires set off Blue Jay Road outside Hoboken on April 19, 2009. The fires burned more than one acre in planted pines.

The charges carry a maximum penalty of five years imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine for each charge.

Investigators said the investigation is still ongoing at this time.

The Georgia Forestry Commission expressed their appreciation to Brantley County Sheriff's Office, Brantley County 911, and the Hoboken Volunteer Fire Department for their assistance in the investigation.

Anyone with information about this fire or other suspicious fires in Brantley County is asked to call the Georgia Forestry Commission, Brantley County Unit at 912-462-5611 or the Arson Hotline at **1-800-282-5804**. The Georgia Arson Control Program provides Rewards of up to \$10,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of an arsonist. Callers may choose to remain anonymous.

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