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Forrest County CWC Inmate Apprehended

Jackson - Forrest County Community Work Center inmate **PAUL PETTIS**, MDOC #74540, who had escaped from the work center in Hattiesburg on August 23, 2010, has been captured.

Pettis was apprehended at approximately 3:00 p.m. today in Panola County, Mississippi by Panola County sheriff's deputies.

Authorities had been searching for **PETTIS**, a 39-year old black male who is serving a 5-year sentence for a conviction of Possession of Tools for the Commission of a Crime from Lafayette County.

Pettis now faces an additional 5 year sentence if convicted of escape.

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