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WEST SACRAMENTO GANG MEMBER SENTENCED TO 28 YEARS PRISON FOR BEATING VICTIM INTO A COMA

(Woodland, CA) – March 24, 2010 District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that on March 23, 2010 Yolo County Superior Court Judge Steven Mock sentenced a West Sacramento man, Antonio Delgado, to 28 years 4 months in state prison for the beating of a man in West Sacramento. A jury convicted Delgado of attempted murder, infliction of great bodily injury, robbery, conspiracy, and acting in furtherance of criminal street gang activities.

Delgado, 20, has a prior history of violence and gang activity. At trial, the jury heard evidence that Delgado is a Norteno gang member, who claimed to be a member of a North Highland subset called the "Red Nosed Pits." The beating by Delgado was so vicious that the victim ended up in a coma and resulted in permanent brain damage. The motive for the crime was to impress another subset of the Norteno gang, the Broderick Boys, in order to form an alliance.

Trial for Delgado's codefendant, Michael Romero, 19, a Citrus Heights Resident, is scheduled to begin April 5 in Department 3 of the Yolo County Superior Court.

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