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RESIDENTS REPORT SUSPICIOUS MAN KNOCKING ON DOORS

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office has received reports of a suspicious man knocking on doors in the Lake Silver Road area near Crestview. He tells homeowners he is connected to a county agency, but he reportedly has no identification in his possession to prove it.

Witnesses say the man is driving a white Ford F-150 pickup that appears to have markings on the side but does not have a county license plate attached. He is telling residents his name is Thomas Ryan and he is from the "Tax Appraiser's Office". There is no such office in Okaloosa County – only the Tax Collector's or Property Appraiser's Offices.

He's described as a white male in his late twenties to early thirties with a light colored beard.

Both the Okaloosa County Property Appraiser's Office and Okaloosa County Tax Collector's Office say they do not have an individual by that name working for them or canvassing homes.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office at 689-5705.

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