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Man Convicted of Evading Officer After Televised Police Pursuit

A 22-year-old man who led police on a televised police pursuit in El Monte last month was sentenced yesterday to three years in state prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Gregory Patrick Flexen of Pico Rivera pleaded no contest to one felony count of evading an officer, willful disregard in case KA107422.

Prosecutors said on the evening of Sept. 8, officers identified a vehicle with no front license plate. They attempted to pull over the driver, who was later identified as the defendant.

Flexen ran red lights, drove on the wrong side of the road and traveled at unsafe speeds, prosecutors added.

At some point, police set up a spike strip to stall Flexen's vehicle. After his tires were blown out, the defendant continued driving until he finally came to a stop and was arrested by police.

Deputy District Attorney Linda Chilstrom prosecuted the case and it was investigated by the El Monte Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.