

# Pit Bull Used for Bait

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An Escambia County woman found a bloodied and abused pit bull last Monday walking down 297A near Highway 87 South. Based on the numerous injuries, deputies believe it was used for bait in a dog fighting operation.

Part of the pit bull's left jaw was missing. Deputies believe it was bitten off. The dog also had multiple bite wounds to it's face, mouth and snout. The ears had nearly been cut off and the left side of the dog's head looked like it had been set on fire. The pit bull was also skinny and malnourished.

The dog has undergone numerous treatments over the past week. Despite undergoing a traumatic ordeal, deputies say the pit bull is very friendly and loves to

lick their hands.

Anyone who might have information that can help deputies find the person responsible for the abuse is asked to call Crimestoppers at 850.433.STOP.

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