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The Livingston County Sheriff's Department said a spike strip was successfully deployed on Wednesday night, on Highway 36 east of Chillicothe, to slow an alleged stolen vehicle. The vehicle was stopped just west of Chillicothe a 'short time' after the spike strips were used. Twenty-five year old Vincente Soto of Kirksville was taken into custody without further incident.

The Highway Patrol said Soto has been accused of Tampering With a Vehicle, Resisting Arrest by Fleeing, Driving While Intoxicated, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Careless and Imprudent Driving, and Speeding 80 Miles Per Hour in a 55 Zone. Soto was being held at the Macon County Jail where charges are pending against him.

A white limo was westbound on Highway 36 at what Sheriff Steve Cox said was a 'high rate of speed' on Wednesday night, when Deputy Matt Ahal successfully deployed the spike strip under the passenger side tires of the limo east of Chillicothe. The chase slowed and continued westbound on Highway 36 before stopping just east of the Grand River.

The Missouri Highway Patrol and the Linn County Sheriff's Department also were among authorities involved in the car chase.