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While "hunched over" for several minutes and inserting into a gopher hole an ignited gas cartridge that is used to control gophers, a 63 year old male home owner inhaled smoke from the gas cartridge. The 63 year old experience chest pain, coughing, and difficulty in breathing and was admitted to the hospital. The gas cartridge is a registered pesticide that is labeled for use to control burrowing vertebrates.

Santa Cruz CAC office made several attempts to contact the man without success. This investigation is considered closed.

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