



# OREGON STATE POLICE FISH & WILDLIFE DIVISION



**MONTHLY FIELD REVIEW**

**JULY 2022**



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*On the cover:  
A Fish and Wildlife Trooper on patrol in  
the Mt. Hood National Forest*

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH



## Oakridge Summer Outdoor Activity Program

Fish and Wildlife Troopers participated in the field event day for the Oakridge Summer Outdoor Activity program at the Willamette Fish Hatchery. One of the Troopers and K-9 Buck gave demonstrations to the class, while another Trooper assisted students as they angled for trout. The trout and all the angling gear were provided by ODFW. Many of the students had never caught a fish before. Smiles were plentiful as they reeled in and released multiple trout.



## Bighorn Sheep and Mountain Goat Presentation

A Fish and Wildlife Trooper from The Dalles made a presentation at the annual ODFW bighorn sheep and mountain goat tag holder orientation. The talk was regarding the hunter's role in enforcement, mistakes to avoid, and OSP's capabilities and availability as a resource for these once-in-a-lifetime hunts. A couple hundred people were in attendance and the presentation was well received.



## Troopers Attend Quad State Meeting

Four Fish and Wildlife Troopers, a Sergeant, and Lieutenant participated in the annual "Quad State" meeting with Game Wardens/Fish and Wildlife Troopers from California, Nevada, Idaho, and Oregon. This year the meeting was held in the Warner Mountains in California. The group discussed numerous issues affecting each state close to another state's border.

## North Valley Team Attends North Plains Event

The North Valley Fish and Wildlife Team assisted at an "I'm Hooked" event held at Horning's hideout in North Plains. The Troopers had a wildlife navigation station where the kids were educated on the use of binoculars and day-to-day activities of a Fish and Wildlife Trooper.

## Pacific Maritime Heritage Center Presentation

A Springfield Fish and Wildlife Trooper and his K-9 partner, Buck, were invited to give a presentation at the Pacific Maritime Heritage Center in Newport. The Trooper spoke about general fish and wildlife topics, as well as poaching and how K-9 Buck helps solve wildlife crimes. The presentation was well received and all the kids loved meeting Buck.



*Photo courtesy of Pacific Maritime Heritage Center*

# 2021 FISH AND WILDLIFE PARTNER OF THE YEAR



The Oregon State Police is pleased to announce that the 2021 Fish and Wildlife Partner of the Year Award was presented to ODFW Manager Jack Vaughn, at the Phillip Schneider Wildlife Area (PSWA) east of Dayville, Oregon.

Vaughn was the John Day Watershed Wildlife Habitat Program Manager for ODFW who oversaw the PSWA in addition to the Bridge Creek Wildlife Area and Willow Creek Wildlife Area. The East Central Fish and Wildlife Team has personally worked with Vaughn for the past three years, with a focused emphasis on reducing wildlife area violations that negatively affect the critical winter range and habitat found within the wildlife area. Vaughn has proven to be a dedicated and highly motivated team partner in

joining with OSP and area landowners to accomplish the goal of this improved protection of this critical habitat.

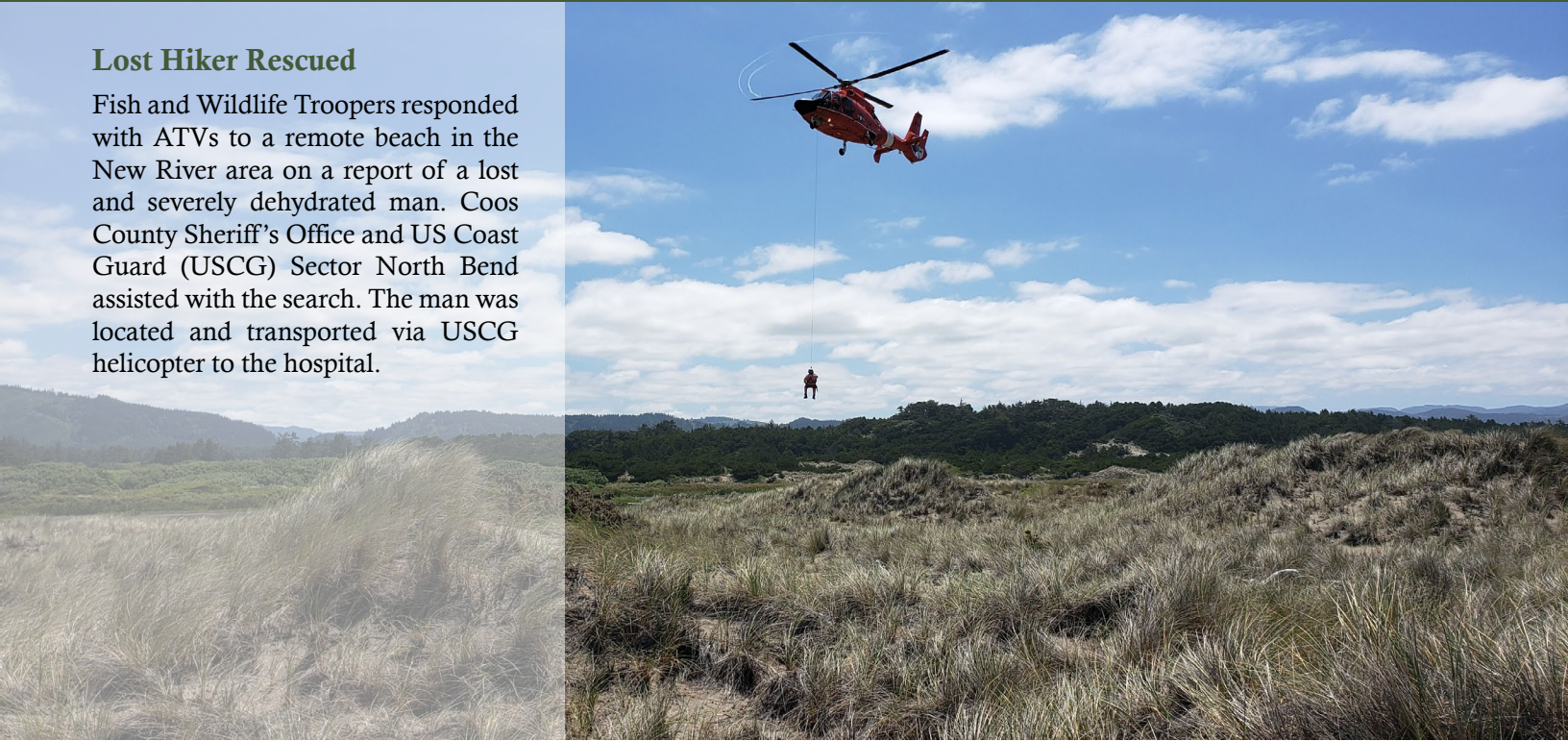
Vaughn goes above and beyond in his partnership with OSP Fish and Wildlife Division members to protect the critical habitat within the wildlife areas he manages and goes out of his way to assist OSP in hosting training events and safe storage of OSP equipment. His dedicated action and support of our mission is a testament to his commitment of our ongoing partnership and successful joint operations.

Please join us in congratulating ODFW Manager Jack Vaughn as our Fish and Wildlife Partner of the Year for 2021!

# GENERAL LAW & RESCUES

## Lost Hiker Rescued

Fish and Wildlife Troopers responded with ATVs to a remote beach in the New River area on a report of a lost and severely dehydrated man. Coos County Sheriff's Office and US Coast Guard (USCG) Sector North Bend assisted with the search. The man was located and transported via USCG helicopter to the hospital.



## Unlawful Cut of Cedar - Goodlow Mountain

A Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Trooper observed indicators of illegal woodcutting activity while patrolling on Goodlow Mountain. Several large old growth incense cedar trees had been cut down and were in the beginning stages of being processed for firewood. One of the stumps measured over 50 inches across at the base. Both trees were green and alive when cut. Goodlow Mountain is not a legal US Forest Service (USFS) firewood cutting area and green cedars are not legal to harvest. The Trooper later observed a truck pulling a triple axle trailer loaded with two massive cedar logs. Both logs were consistent with the illegally harvested trees. The subjects were contacted and cited criminally for **Unlawful Cut and Transport of Special Forest Products**. At the request of the USFS the logs were unloaded and left on the side of the Forest Service road. The location that the trees were taken from was documented.

## Troopers Help Apprehend Eluding Suspect

Springfield Fish and Wildlife Troopers assisted the Lane County Sheriff's office with the apprehension of a wanted subject who had eluded the Eugene Police Department on foot. The suspect jumped into the Willamette River and swam downstream. Troopers arrived by boat and began canvassing the area. After a lengthy search on multiple islands, the suspect was located and taken into custody. The suspect was wanted on over 50 warrants, including attempted murder.

## Troopers Assist with Brush Fire

Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Troopers responded to a nearby brush fire on Old Midland Road where several homes were being threatened. The Troopers assisted the Fire Department by blocking the road and notifying nearby residents of the fire.



# GENERAL LAW & RESCUES



## Trooper Helps Evacuate Hikers - Lemolo Lake

A Roseburg Fish and Wildlife Trooper was patrolling the Lemolo Lake area in the Cascades when a lightning strike started a fire in the area. The Trooper responded to assist Forest Service fire crews. He assisted in evacuating nine hikers on the Pacific Crest Trail to a safer area.

## Fishing Lure Removed from Pelican

A Baker City Fish and Wildlife Trooper received a complaint regarding a pelican at Phillips Reservoir that had a lure stuck near its beak/throat pouch. An ODFW Baker District Biologist was called and informed of the situation. A local angler assisted by transporting the Trooper on his bass boat to get a closer look at the pelican. The crank bait lure had one treble hook in the throat pouch and another treble hook was stuck in its rear feathers pinning the pelican's beak to its rump. The ODFW Biologist responded with a large fishing net and some pliers, and was able to catch the pelican. The Biologist, Trooper, and the bass angler were able to remove the crank bait from the pelican. The pelican swam off to hopefully have a successful recovery.

## Subject Cited for Shooting on ODFW Lands

A Salem Fish and Wildlife Trooper received a call from the ODFW Host at St. Louis Ponds who had overheard a rapid barrage of gunfire from within the ODFW managed property. The ODFW Host provided the subject's vehicle plate and the Trooper made contact with the subject at his residence. The subject admitted to shooting a 22 LR revolver and Ruger 10/22 22LR rifle, but was only target practicing which he stated he had done in the past at St. Louis Ponds. The area is clearly posted with signage describing no discharging of rifle/handguns in the area. The subject was cited for **Discharge of Rifle or Handgun on ODFW Managed Lands**.

## Two Juvenile Eagles Rescued - Coos Bay

A Coos Bay Fish and Wildlife Trooper responded to Winchester Bay after receiving a report that someone had rescued a juvenile bald eagle from the Umpqua River. The eagle was soaking wet and exhausted, but didn't appear to be injured otherwise. Later that day, the Trooper responded to a rural property outside of Coos Bay, on a report from the landowners that they located a sickly juvenile bald eagle in their pasture. The landowners had seen the eagle the night before and were able to capture it. Both eagles were released to the Cascade Raptor Center for evaluation.



## Sergeant Assists on Removal of Downed Trees

A Roseburg Fish and Wildlife Sergeant assisted a US Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management crew as a safety liaison along Highway 138 East as they removed several downed, river-wide trees posing a severe navigation hazard in the upper sections of the North Umpqua River. The section of the North Umpqua River is a premier white water section that draws hundreds of recreational white water enthusiasts and numerous guide outfits from the region.

# ADMINISTRATION & ENFORCEMENT OF WILDLIFE LAWS



## ATV Patrol - North Warner Unit

Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted an ATV patrol of the North Warner Unit looking for antelope blinds and water. Water was very limited in the area and one vehicle was contacted looking for rocks near several mines.



## Deer Taken Closed Season - Coaledo Area

A Coos Bay Fish and Wildlife Sergeant was dispatched to a report of a dead forked horn buck with a possible bullet wound in the Coaledo area. Investigation revealed the buck was shot and killed with a pellet rifle. A Patrol Trooper responded to assist with canvassing the neighborhood. The Troopers back-tracked the blood trail of the buck to a residence where it had been shot in a front yard. A suspect was developed at the residence and admitted to shooting the buck with a pellet gun the night before to try to scare it away from her garden and marijuana grow. The suspect was cited for **Taking Buck Deer Closed Season**.



## Bighorn Sheep Skull Unlawfully Taken

Fish and Wildlife Troopers received information that a resident in Gresham was possibly in possession of a bighorn sheep skull that was unlawfully taken from the wild. Troopers contacted the subject at his residence who admitted to finding a bighorn sheep skull along the Deschutes River and bringing it home to Gresham. He decorated it and hung it on his wall. Troopers seized the skull and issued the person a citation for **Possession of Illegally Taken Bighorn Sheep Horn**.

## Bear Tagging Violation

A St. Helens Fish and Wildlife Trooper interviewed a suspect stemming from a late bear check-in case in Tillamook. ODFW identified the suspect had not eTagged the bear and only had a validation number from his mandatory hunter outcome report. It was confirmed that the bear was shot during the season and the suspect could not sync his phone due to the remote location. He was cited for **Failing to Validate Big Game Tag**.

## Trooper Assists Montana Game Warden

An Albany Fish and Wildlife Trooper was contacted by a Montana Game Warden regarding a false application case in Montana for an Oregon resident. While interviewing the subject the trooper discovered the subject had moved to Montana and continued to purchase ODFW documents as a resident. The subject was criminally cited for **False Application for a License**.

# MARINE FISHERIES TEAM



## Weeklong Guardian Ocean Patrol

The entire Marine Fisheries Team (MFT) participated in a weeklong ocean patrol utilizing the Guardian vessel. They were patrolling ports from Pacific City to the Oregon/California border, focusing on commercial and sport fisheries. The team contacted a multitude of commercial vessels fishing for whiting, pink shrimp, sablefish, halibut and salmon. Two commercial troll salmon boats were cited for **Commercial Troll Prohibited Method: More than Four Spreads per Wire**. One vessel had six spreads per wire and the other vessel had one wire with ten spreads and another three with six spreads. Sport anglers were also contacted fishing for halibut, salmon and groundfish. Troopers issued multiple citations and warnings for **Angling Prohibited Method: Barbed Hooks, Angling Prohibited Method: Treble Hooks, Fail to Immediately Validate Harvest Card, No Combined Angling Tag, Angling with More than One Rod, and Unlawful Possession of Non Fin-Clipped Coho**.

## Fourth of July Ocean Patrol

A Fish and Wildlife Sergeant conducted an ocean patrol out of Newport on the fourth of July. Pressure and catch rates for coho salmon were high. Of the subjects contacted, multiple citations were issued for the following:

- **Fail to Immediately Validate Harvest Card**
- **Angling Prohibited Method: Barbed Hooks**
- **No Combined Angling Harvest Card**
- **Possession of Undersized Chinook Salmon** (one 22" Chinook was seized)

## Ocean Salmon Patrol

Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted a south coast multi-day Guardian patrol. Emphasis was on sport and commercial salmon, and groundfish and commercial crab. Anglers were contacted out of Winchester Bay, Charleston, Bandon and Port Orford. Lots of contacts were made. The following enforcement action was taken:

- **Fail to Immediately Validate Harvest Card**
- **Angling with Two Rods**
- **Angling Prohibited Method: Barbed Hooks**
- **Angling Prohibited Method: Treble Hooks**
- **Exceeding Daily Limit of Groundfish** (Three lingcod and three rockfish seized)
- **Possession of Undersized Chinook salmon** (one Chinook seized)
- **No Late Season Commercial Dungeness Pot Tag**

## Wild Coho Seized from Salmon Troller

An Astoria Fish and Wildlife Trooper contacted a commercial salmon troller making a landing of Chinook and coho salmon at a fish plant. The Trooper had recently cited this subject for exceeding the trip limits for Chinook, and for call in violations. The subject landed approximately 60 salmon, 20 of which were wild coho salmon. The subject said that he knew the rules, but did not notice that those 20 coho had adipose fins. He also admitted to using hooks with barbs that were set up on his fishing gear. The subject was cited and released for **Taking Non Adipose Fin-Clipped Commercial Coho Salmon** and **Commercial Fishing Prohibited Method: Barbed Hooks for Salmon**.



# MARINE FISHERIES TEAM



## Subjects Take Undersized and Female Crab

A Newport Fish and Wildlife Trooper contacted a group of subjects from Washington. At first during the contact the males told the Trooper they had not retained any crab. After asking them questions the Trooper learned they had been crabbing since early that morning. The Trooper asked for their crabbing licenses and they asked “where can you get one of those around here?” The Trooper went up to their truck to run their names and observed in the parking lot a retired Deputy from Yamhill County who stopped and told the Trooper he had observed the group keeping short and female crab all morning and the crab was in the back of their truck. The Trooper pulled one of the subjects aside and questioned him. He admitted to placing crab in the bed of the truck. The Trooper was given consent to search the bed of the truck and found three coolers full of undersized and female crab. In total 86 crab were located and only one was legal sized. Three of the subjects were cited for **No Shellfish License, Taking Undersized Crab, and Taking Female Crab.**

## Captain Cited for Fish Ticket Violation

A Coos Bay Fish and Wildlife Trooper contacted a commercial fishing vessel in Charleston. The vessel owner holds a limited fish sellers permit. The vessel’s log books were found to be not accurately filled out. A records check indicated the permit holder had not submitted multiple fish tickets after 14 days past the landing date with a catch of sablefish and halibut. On fish tickets which had been submitted there were no skate and lingcod listed but were listed in the logbook and the captain indicated they were on board. The captain was criminally cited for **Failing to Complete a Fish Ticket.**

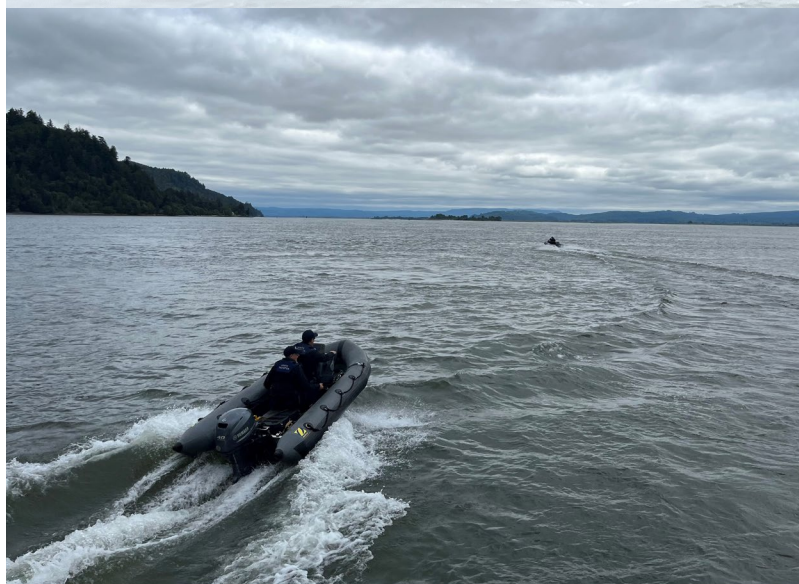
## Commercial Pink Shrimp Wasted

A Trooper contacted a commercial pink shrimp fisherman that had made landings of shrimp with significant amounts of dead loss. The captain said he had a problem with some of his crew members not using an appropriate amount of ice, and has since fixed the issue. The captain was cited for **Waste of Commercial Pink Shrimp.**



## Ocean and Columbia River Patrols

MFT conducted a multi-day ocean and Columbia River patrol focusing on commercial and recreational halibut, salmon and steelhead. Troopers were on the commercial halibut grounds to ensure boats ceased fishing when the season closed. Troopers patrolled the commercial troll salmon line at Cape Falcon. Multiple trollers were contacted and all were compliant. Troopers patrolled about 30 miles of the lower Columbia River targeting steelhead and salmon anglers. Numerous anglers were contacted and citations were issued for **Angling Prohibited Method: Barbed hooks, Fail to Validate Harvest Tag, and Continuing to Angle after Retaining Limits.** Troopers finished up the four days by checking salmon anglers off of Pacific City. Coho catch rates and rule compliance was high.



# OPERATION DRY WATER



East Central Fish and Wildlife Team members worked over 110 hours of Marine Board enforcement over the July 4th holiday with the following highlights:

Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted an enforcement float starting July 1st and ended July 4th on the John Day River from Service Creek to Clarno (pictured above). Troopers inspected 48 boats and contacted 73 boaters and 28 anglers. A total of four citations were issued for **No Angling License**. Several warnings were also issued for various boating and angling violations.

A Fish and Wildlife Sergeant conducted a shore patrol at Magone Lake, inspected 12 boats and contacted 32 boaters and anglers. One group of kayakers were contacted just prior to launching including two juveniles with no one possessing a life jacket. The Sergeant educated them on personal flotation device (PFD) requirements and warned them for **No PFDs**. The Sergeant also contacted a group of young adult males at Magone Lake that were fishing, drinking alcohol, littering, and had an illegal fire. Further investigation revealed one of the adult males had a misdemeanor warrant out of Baker County. He was cited and released for the Baker County Warrant and also cited for **Littering within 100 Yards of Waterway**. Three subjects were cited for **Minor in Possession (MIP): Alcohol**, one subject was cited for **No Non-Resident Angling License**. The subjects returned to the site to completely extinguish the fire and clean up the site.



A Fish and Wildlife Trooper and Sergeant conducted a shore patrol at Yellow Jacket Lake. They checked three boats, three anglers and had a total of 13 contacts. Two juvenile females were boating with their mother and were excited to show off their PFDs to Troopers. The Troopers also assisted an elderly boater with securing and removing his boat from the water. While at the lake a citizen complained of multiple ATVs operating unsafely in the area, occupied with juveniles with no helmets. While leaving the lake Troopers stopped an adult male operating an ATV carrying three juveniles with no helmets. The operator was cited for **Endangering ATV Passengers: No Helmets** and warned for **No ATV Operator Permit** and **No ATV Decal**.

Over the July 4th holiday weekend, Pendleton Area Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted various boat patrols along the Columbia River above and below McNary Dam for Operation Dry Water. Local Troopers were assisted by Officers from Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and a Refuge Officer from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. From Friday to Monday a total of 37 boats were contacted. Troopers issued citations for **Angling Prohibited Method: Two Poles** and **Angling Prohibited Method: Barbed Hooks**. Warnings were also issued for various boating and angling violations.

Enterprise Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted a Snake River jet boat patrol along with Wallowa County Sheriff's Office and Idaho Fish and Game Officers. A total of 61 boats/rafts were checked, 17 guides were checked, with four warnings issued for angling license violations.

Bend area Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted multiple shore and boat patrols on the Upper Deschutes River and High Lakes resulting in the following: 73 boater contacts, 16 anglers checked, and 16 warnings for minor angling and marine board violations.

# SHELLFISH & ANGLING



## Multiple Angling Violations - Silverton Reservoir

A Salem Fish and Wildlife Trooper was conducting angler checks at Silverton Reservoir. Two subjects were contacted and stated they did not have angling licenses and had retained five trout. One subject was discovered to be lifetime suspended from angling. That subject was cited for **Angling while Suspended, Take/Possession of Game Fish, and Angling with More Than One Line/Rod**. The second subject was cited for **Take/Possession of Game Fish and No Resident Angling License**. Five trout were seized as evidence.

## Fourth of July Boat Patrol

Astoria Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted a boat patrol during the fourth of July weekend for ocean salmon. Troopers contacted 19 boat. Catch rates and compliance rates were high. Several warnings were given and three citations were given for **Fail to Immediately Validate Combined Harvest Card** and one citation for **Angling with Barbed Hooks**.

## Angling Violations Found - Cascade Locks

While patrolling the Cascade Locks area, a Fish and Wildlife Trooper observed a subject blatantly snag and retain two shad. One was still alive by the time the Trooper arrived, and was consequently seized and returned to the river. The second was seized and later released to the raptor center. The subject was cited for the violation of **Unlawful Retention of Foul-Hooked Game Fish**. Later on, while still at Cascade Locks, the Trooper noticed a subject stop fishing and break down his gear when he became aware of the Trooper's presence. It was discovered the subject was a California resident and did not possess an angling license and was consequently cited for the violation of **No Non-Resident Angling License**.



## Williamson River Float Patrol

Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted a float patrol of the Williamson River on pontoon boats. Multiple anglers were contacted on the shore of the river and in non-motorized boats. Multiple warnings were given.



## Williamson River and Spring Creek Patrols

A Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Trooper patrolled the Williamson River and Spring Creek. Over 21 non-motorized boat inspections were conducted. Over 13 anglers were checked. 15+ warnings and citations were issued for a variety of violations. Issues included no PFDs, angling prohibited method, passing in no passing zone and no sound producing device. One juvenile (above) was very proud of his legal crawfish harvest.

# SHELLFISH & ANGLING



## Clatsop Beach Clam Patrols

An Astoria Fish and Wildlife Sergeant and two Troopers worked Clatsop Beach during the recent low clam tides. One of the Troopers witnessed a male and female digging successfully in one area, and then later some distance down the beach. After the couple finished digging they were contacted by the Sergeant and were found to each have a few extra clams in their bags. A second small cooler was found full of clams, putting the two subjects 44 over the limit. After admitting they intended to exceed that day both subjects were cited and released for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Clams**. The 44 clams were seized and donated to charity. Later that morning the Troopers observed a female subject acting suspicious while crouched in the sand, as if she were cleaning clams on the beach. When she and her husband returned to their vehicle they were contacted by the Sergeant. They had their limits of clams in their bags, but denied having any more despite the Trooper seeing her put some in her coat pocket. The female subject produced a bag of seven cleaned clams they intended to use for surf perch bait. One citation and one warning were issued for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Clams** and seven clams were seized and donated to charity.

## Jubilee Lake Boat Patrol

La Grande Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted a boat patrol on Jubilee Lake. Three citations were issued for **No Angling License**. Multiple warnings were given to subjects who were unable to access their licenses through ELS or did not have their paper licenses in possession. Four individuals with electric motors on their boats were educated and warned for not having a boat registration.

## Laurance Lake Angler Checks

A Fish and Wildlife Trooper from The Dalles was patrolling the Laurance Lake area where Clear Creek Branch feeds into the lake, which is an area where a small population of protected bull trout congregate. The Trooper checked eleven anglers and issued two citations for **Angling Prohibited Method: Bait**, and one citation for **Angling with More Than One Line**.

## Oakridge Area Drift Boat Patrol

An Oakridge Fish and Wildlife Trooper was accompanied by two OSP procurement office staff on a drift boat patrol on the Middle Fork Willamette from Dexter Dam to Clearwater Park in Springfield. They got to see firsthand some of the equipment they help supply to the field in use. Several contacts were made, and one citation was issued for **No PFD**.

## Subject Snags Wild Chinook - Rogue River

A Central Point Fish and Wildlife Trooper was patrolling the upper Rogue River, near the Slide Hole when he observed a male subject net and land a snagged wild Chinook salmon. The Trooper then watched the subject take the salmon into some brush and kill it. The subject was contacted as he was walking up the bank of the river and back to the roadway. The subject had left the salmon down by the river in the net and the Trooper had the subject return to the stashed salmon. When inspecting the salmon, it was discovered that the adipose fin had been cut off leaving a fresh wound mark. When questioned about the cut adipose fin, the subject denied cutting it off, denied knowing the salmon was snagged, and did not possess a Combined Angling Tag. The subject was cited for **Possession of Mutilated Fish** and **No Combined Angling Tag**. He was warned for **Snagging** and **Take of Non Adipose Fin-Clipped Chinook Salmon**.



# SHELLFISH & ANGLING



## Wild Trout Taken - North Santiam River

A Salem Fish and Wildlife Trooper observed a suspicious vehicle in a gravel pullout along Highway 22 in Marion County along the North Santiam River. While out on foot, the vehicle owner was observed angling and later contacted. A consent search of the subject's backpack led to the discovery of three wild trout. The subject was cited for **Take/Possession of Non Adipose Fin-Clipped Trout**. The three wild trout were seized as evidence.

## Adult in Juvenile Area Arrested on Warrant

A Tillamook Fish and Wildlife Sergeant contacted an adult male subject who was observed fishing in the juvenile only area on Three Rivers below the Cedar Creek Hatchery. The subject also walked above the hatchery deadline and casted upstream toward the weir. Upon contact, the subject admitted that he didn't have an angling license or tag, and stated he was not aware that the area below the deadline was only open to juvenile anglers. A check of the subject revealed he had a Tillamook County felony warrant for his arrest for parole violation, which was confirmed through Oregon State Police Dispatch. He was also listed as being out of compliance as a registered sex offender. The subject was arrested for the felony warrant and for **Failure to Report as Sex Offender**. He was transported to the Tillamook County Jail where he was lodged on the warrant and also received citations for **No 2022 Resident Angling License** and **Angling Closed Area/Stream**.

## Dory Boat Captain Guiding Without a License

A Tillamook Fish and Wildlife Trooper received a tip that several dory boats had launched off the beach at Cape Kiwanda in very unfavorable conditions. The fishermen stated that the visibility was very limited due to a wall of thick fog and the ocean was very rough. The fishermen added that a local boat launched that seemed to be a guide operation with a load of customers. The boat did not have current guide decals displayed. The Trooper drove down to the Cape and waited for the boat to arrive back on the beach and contacted the clients. The clients stated that they had booked the trip a couple of months ago with the understanding that the trip was \$200 per person for the day. The Trooper also interviewed the captain who claimed that he was not guiding and that he was not going to charge for today's trip. When asked why he hadn't gotten his guide decals this year, he said that he was busy painting the house and had not had time. The captain was criminally cited for **Guiding Without a License**.



## Striped Bass Night Patrol

Roseburg Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted a night boat patrol focused on striped bass anglers on the lower Umpqua and Smith Rivers. The striped bass fishery is growing in that waterway and anglers are reporting the average weight of the harvested fish is around 10 pounds. Six boats and two kayakers were contacted along with five bank anglers. Multiple warnings were given for lighting violations after dark and two voyages were terminated due to insufficient lighting. Troopers also provided a life jacket to one of the kayakers.

# TURN IN POACHERS

## PREFERENCE POINTS -OR- CASH REWARDS

5 Points-Bighorn Sheep  
5 Points-Rocky Mountain Goat  
5 Points-Moose  
5 Points-Wolf  
4 Points-Elk  
4 Points-Deer  
4 Points-Antelope  
4 Points-Bear  
4 Points-Cougar

\$1,000 Bighorn Sheep  
\$1,000 Rocky Mountain Goat  
\$1,000 Moose  
\$500 Elk, Deer & Antelope  
\$300 Bear, Cougar & Wolf  
\$300 Habitat Destruction  
\$200 Illegally Obtaining License/Tags  
\$200 Unlawful Lend/Borrow Big Game Tag(s)  
\$100 Game Fish & Shellfish  
\$100 Upland Birds, Waterfowl & Fur Bearers

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## WHAT SHOULD I REPORT?

- Nature of violation or activity observed or advised about
- Location of activity (Road, Milepost, GPS, etc.)
- Date and time of violation/activity
- Description of any vehicle involved
- Name and/or description of violator

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