

# OREGON STATE POLICE FISH & WILDLIFE DIVISION





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## On the cover: A Fish and Wildlife Lieutenant checks

hunting licenses and tags during General Western Oregon Coast Elk First Season.

## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

#### **Trooper Assists with Hope and Habitat Project - Paisley**

A Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Trooper participated with members of Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) who came together for the Hope and Habitat Project southeast of Paisley where they planted thousands of sagebrush and bitterbrush on Bureau of Land Managment (BLM) land burnt by the 2021 Bootleg Fire.



#### Hope and Habitat Project - Interstate Unit

A Burns Fish and Wildlife Trooper and a family member of his, volunteered at the Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) Hope and Habitat Mule Deer winter range project in the Interstate unit. The 2019 fires in the Interstate unit burned a lot of the winter range habitat that is crucial for Mule Deer survival. OHA had 13,000 Sagebrush and Bitterbrush plants that had been grown at a local Lakeview nursery and were ready for planting. Thirty-seven volunteers from around the state showed up to brave the frigid temperatures and help get the plants planted. The OHA project coordinator was happy to have OSP represented.

#### **OHA Youth Upland Game Hunting Event**

A Fish and Wildlife Trooper participated in OHA's Youth Upland Game Hunting event near Prineville. Event leadership expressed their appreciation for having OSP Troopers there to socialize in a relaxed environment with the participants.

#### Sergeant Receives OPOA Award

A Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Sergeant received an award from Oregon Peace Officers Association (OPOA) for a critical incident related to a search and rescue during the Bootleg Fire. A large multi-agency group was given the award for a massive coordinated event involving several county, state, and federal agencies.

#### **Troopers Participate in Parade - Hood River**

Fish and Wildlife Troopers from The Dalles, along with Patrol Troopers, assisted in a parade of champions in Hood River for the 2022 Hood River High School Girls Varsity Water Polo Team who won the 5A State Championship for the fourth time in the past six years. Troopers were joined by the Hood River Police Department, Hood River County Sheriff's office and Fire Department units from the area. A large crowd gathered to cheer on the team as the parade traveled from the Hood River waterfront to the High School.

## **GENERAL LAW & RESCUES**



#### Injured Bald Eagle Rescued - Dundee

A McMinnville Fish and Wildlife Trooper received a call of an injured bald eagle on property outside of Dundee. The eagle was located and found to be unable to fly higher than about four feet, but still very mobile. The bird was eventually captured utilizing a heavy wool blanket provided by the landowner. The eagle was transported to the Portland Audubon Society's Wildlife Care Center.

#### K-9 Buck Assists on Search and Rescue

Springfield Fish and Wildlife Troopers and K-9 Buck assisted the Lane County Sheriff's Office search and rescue (SAR) team in an attempt to locate a missing hiker. The missing hiker was last seen two days prior. After several hours of searching, the missing hiker was located.

#### Stranded Motorist Rescued, Vehicle Recovered

A Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Trooper responded to a stranded motorist on a snowy Forest Service Road in Lake County. The vehicle slid off the road and was on the verge of rolling down a steep hill. One wheel was off the ground. The driver sat in the Trooper's truck to warm up (temperatures were near single digits) and Lake County search and rescue (SAR) responded with a snow cat to recover the vehicle. The Trooper used his department issued chainsaw to cut a winch point on a large stump to aid in recovering the vehicle.

#### **DUII Driver Jumps Out of Moving Car**

While en route to an early morning wildlife enforcement decoy (WED) operation, a Fish and Wildlife Sergeant initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle crossing the New Young's Bay bridge in Astoria. The vehicle slowed dramatically and, while still in motion, the driver's door flew open and the female operator jumped out of the car crashing onto the asphalt. Her car continued to roll down the bridge, with no one in it, toward oncoming traffic. The subject got up off the pavement and began chasing her car down the bridge as it continued to slow. Contact was made as she caught up to her vehicle. After she was checked out by medics, an OSP Detective conducted a DUII investigation and found the driver to be significantly impaired by drugs.

#### Subject Attempts to Steal Cargo Trailer

Immediately after clearing with the subject who dove out of her vehicle, the Sergeant responded to assist Warrenton Police Department with a report of a subject who was attempting to steal a cargo trailer from a business just down the road from the Sergeant's location. The subject covered his license plate with tape to make the plate unreadable and then hooked up the trailer to his pickup and attempted to drive away. At that point his pickup ground to a halt and he discovered that all twelve cargo trailers at the dealer were chained together and the business owner ran out to confront him. The subject got out of his vehicle and ran off into the brush. As the Sergeant arrived on scene the subject came out of the brush and claimed he wasn't trying to steal the trailer, he just wanted to make sure his hitch fit because he was interested in buying it. The subject, who appeared to be under the influence of meth, was detained until a Warrenton Police Officer arrived and took over the investigation.

## **GENERAL LAW & RESCUES**



#### Labradoodles Rescued and Returned Home

A St. Helens Fish and Wildlife Trooper responded to a call from a hunter reporting two chocolate labradoodles laying alongside a logging road. The hunter said the dogs did not move and just laid beside the road. The Trooper located the dogs with sore/cut paws and coaxed the tired dogs into the cage area of her pickup with Tillamook cheese from her lunch pail. The dogs were taken to Valley Vet and scanned for microchips, but no microchips were found. Upon arriving at the Columbia County Animal Shelter it was found that the owner of the dogs had called into Columbia County Dispatch. The Trooper took the dogs back to Vernonia due to the female dog having five week old puppies. The dogs had been missing for over 12 hrs and ran over 10 miles away from home. The owner was grateful to have the two dogs home for Thanksgiving.

#### **Driving Complaint Leads to DUII Arrest**

Portland Fish and Wildlife Troopers received a driving complaint about a vehicle on Interstate 205 southbound from milepost 12. The reporting party stated a vehicle struck a concrete barrier and continued driving and was unable to maintain its lane. Troopers located the vehicle at milepost 9. They stopped the vehicle for a traffic violation. During the contact with the driver Troopers observed signs of impairment. The driver consented to Standard Field Sobriety Tests (SFSTs) and was arrested for **Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII).** The driver was transported to the OSP Portland Office where he consented to a breath test with a result of .14% blood alcohol content (BAC). The driver was cited and released at the Clackamas County Jail.

#### **Bull Elk Freed From Wire Fence**

A Prineville Fish and Wildlife Trooper responded to a report of an injured bull elk caught in a fence near Mitchell. The 5-point bull elk was caught up in heavy wire around its rear legs and antlers. No serious injury was observed. The Trooper and a Wheeler County Sheriff's Office Deputy were able to remove all wire from the elk's legs using bolt cutters. The large amount of wire wrapped around its neck, head and antlers was also cut and the bull was freed with just remnant wire left around the antlers.

#### Sergeant Helps Recover Items Ejected from Crash

A Coos Bay Fish and Wildlife Sergeant was dispatched to a rollover crash in the Elliott State Forest near Loon Lake that had happened earlier that day. Investigation revealed that the crash actually occurred on Douglas County Road 3, not quite to the Elliott State Forest. The subject drove off a steep embankment while headed up to go elk hunting and rolled his pickup multiple times down a steep hill. The vehicle came to rest about 400 feet below the roadway. The subject, although injured, was able to crawl up to the road and get to the hospital with the help of some passing loggers. The Sergeant and the driver's hunting buddy were able to recover two rifles (which had been broken in half in the crash), medications, the subject's wallet, and some other gear that had been ejected from the vehicle.

#### Bald Eagle Hit by Vehicle on I-84

Portland Fish and Wildlife Troopers received a call about a bald eagle that had been hit by a vehicle on Interstate 84 in the Columbia River Gorge. Troopers arrived on scene to find that the eagle was still alive but injured. Troopers transported the eagle to the Portland Audubon Society's Wildlife Care Center for treatment.

#### **DUII Driver's BAC Triple Legal Limit**

A Pendleton Fish and Wildlife Trooper was working after dark along Mount Emily summit road when he came upon a small four door sedan off the road and stuck in the ditch. The Trooper contacted the driver and only occupant. The driver showed signs of intoxication and was subsequently arrested for **Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants** (**DUII**). At the office the driver gave a breath sample with a result of .24% blood alcohol content (BAC).

## **COAST ELK SEASONS**



#### Four Subjects Cited for Multiple Violations

An Albany Fish and Wildlife Trooper received a call regarding four subjects shooting from a public highway, killing two antlerless elk and injuring a third. After an investigation, the Trooper identified suspects and located the third elk deceased. The third elk was salvaged and donated to charity. Troopers conducted simultaneous interviews of the four subjects. All parties admitted to shooting at the elk from the road right-of-way and one subject admitted to being in a vehicle when he shot. The Troopers seized the four rifles used to kill the elk and the two elk were seized and donated to charity. A total of nine criminal citations were issued to the four subjects including Unlawful Take/Possession Antlerless Elk, Hunting Prohibited Area: Public Road, Aiding/Counseling in a Wildlife Offense, and No Big Game Tag.

#### Illegal Take of Spike Elk

An Astoria Fish and Wildlife Trooper responded to a subject who shot and killed a spike elk during the Saddle Mt. 210X 3pt+ Bull Elk Season. The unit requires a 3-point or better bull be taken. The female subject was hunting with her boyfriend and took a shot at a legal bull elk from over 500 yards away. Her bullet struck the spike elk standing behind the legal bull. She was issued a citation for **Taking Spike Elk Closed Season.** The elk was seized and donated to charity.

#### Subject Cited for Taking Two Extra Elk

On opening morning of General Western Oregon Coast Elk First Season, a McMinnville Fish and Wildlife Trooper received a report of a subject who had shot three elk including a cow near Murphy Camp in Tillamook County. It was eventually determined the subject killed a spike elk first, then a cow, then a 3x3 bull and also wounded an additional spike. The elk were all located hundreds of yards from the nearest road so a Fish and Wildlife Trooper and Lieutenant responded to assist with packing out the elk. Brass, which matched the subject's rifle, was located from two separate locations where the subject fired from and was consistent with witness statements. The subject was allowed to retain the spike elk he killed first, while the cow and 3x3 bull were seized. The subject's rifle was also seized and he was issued two criminal citations for Take of Bull Elk and Take of Antlerless Elk.

#### Cow Elk Taken - Trask Unit

Tillamook Fish and Wildlife Troopers received a report of a cow elk killed in the area of Fox Creek Ridge in the Trask Unit during General Western Oregon Coast Elk First Season. Several evewitnesses were interviewed who observed the suspect shoot the elk and also saw that he didn't attempt to recover it. The witnesses could also see the deceased elk on the hillside where the shot was taken. The suspect was quickly located and questioned regarding the incident. He admitted to shooting at and missing a small spike elk. The subject showed the Troopers where he had placed the 700 yard shot on the hillside in question. The Troopers were able to show the hunter the dead cow laying almost exactly where he had shot. The subject was very cooperative and admitted after being shown the elk it was probably him who had shot it. The subject assisted with salvage of the cow elk. The subject was criminally cited for Take/Possession of Antlerless Elk. The elk was donated to the Tillamook County Correctional Facility.

## **COAST ELK SEASONS**



#### Bull Elk Taken in Spike Only Area

A Coos Bay Fish and Wildlife Trooper received a report that a female subject killed a branch bull the day prior in the Siuslaw Wildlife Management Unit outside of Reedsport. The Siuslaw Unit is open for spike only elk during General Western Oregon Coast Second Season. The subject posted pictures to social media of her posing with the elk, and it was determined that she did, in fact, have a general season tag. The subject and her husband, who was cited by OSP in 2021 for a wildlife crime, were contacted at their residence and they both stated they thought they were allowed to harvest any bull during second season, and admitted that they should have looked closer at the regulations. The partially processed meat and head of the bull were seized, along with the .270 rifle that was used. The subject was criminally cited and released for Unlawful Take/Possession Bull Elk.

#### **Trespasser Cited for Weapon Violation**

A Newport Fish and Wildlife Trooper received information during rifle elk season of two subjects driving a vehicle behind a locked gate and accessing Starker Timber and Weyerhaeuser properties. The Trooper placed a trail camera in the area and was en route several days later to check the camera when he observed the suspect vehicle behind a closed gate on Starker Timber. He conducted a stop on the vehicle and it was determined the subjects resided on an adjacent piece of property with a gate that leads directly to Starker Timber. During the contact, both subjects in the vehicle were in possession of a rifle. The passenger was found to have an active firearm prohibition court order out of Lincoln County. The passenger was cited and released for Contempt of Court and the firearm was seized. Starker Timber was contacted and opted not to pursue charges for trespassing.

#### Spike Elk WED Operation

St. Helens Fish and Wildlife Troopers conducted a spike elk Wildlife Enforcement Decoy (WED) in the Saddle Mountain Unit (a 3-point or better unit) on opening morning of General Western Oregon Coast Elk First Season. The first vehicle entered the set and the passenger immediately fired three rounds at the decoy. Contact was made and the passenger was cited and released for **Unlawful Take Spike Elk.** Her rifle was seized. The driver was cited and released for **Aiding in a Game Violation** after admitting that he told her to shoot.

#### TIP Leads to Citations - Wilson Unit

On the last day of the General Western Oregon Coast Elk First Season Astoria area Troopers received a tip that some subjects had possibly shot a cow elk in the Wilson Unit, which is bull elk only during the first season. Troopers responded to the area after dark. It took significant time to locate the subjects who were down in a steep clear-cut trying to skin the elk. Once the four subjects were located they stated the cow elk had been hit accidentally while shooting at a spike that was about two feet away, but they intended to take the elk home. The elk was recovered by the Troopers and the subject who shot it was cited for **Unlawful Take of Cow Elk** and his rifle was seized into evidence. One subject was cited for **Aiding in a Wildlife Offense.** The other two subjects were warned for the same.

#### Subject Takes Spike Elk in Bull Only Area

A St. Helens Fish and Wildlife Trooper received a report from a hunter in the Saddle Mt. Unit outside of Vernonia regarding a hunting party that shot a bull elk and he did not think they had a tag. Another Trooper was in the area and responded to the suspect's residence, which was near where the elk was shot. The suspects were contacted and the Trooper learned that a female subject with a first season general western elk tag had killed a spike. The subjects stated the female subject had killed the elk in the Scappoose Unit. While questioning the subjects, it was obvious they were not being truthful about where it was killed. The subjects eventually admitted the female subject killed the spike elk in the Saddle Mt. Unit, just down the road on a relative's property, and knew she did not have a tag to hunt that unit which is a 3-point or better unit. She was issued citations for Take/Possession of Bull Elk and Hunting Outside Controlled Hunting Area. Her boyfriend and his father were both cited for Aiding in a Wildlife Offense. The elk was seized and taken to a meat processor for donation. The rifle was also seized and placed into evidence.

## **EAST REGION ELK SEASONS**



#### Unlawful Take Spike Elk - Catherine Creek

While patrolling in the Catherine Creek Unit during the second season spike hunt, a Patrol Trooper watched a subject shoot multiple times at a herd of elk that were running across an agricultural field. The subject was contacted and found to have a general season damage cow tag. A Fish and Wildlife Trooper responded to assist. With the landowner's permission the field was checked, and it was found the subject had killed a spike elk. The subject was cited and released for **Unlawful Take Spike Elk.** The elk was recovered and salvaged with the help of ODFW staff at Ladd Marsh Wildlife Area.

#### Cow Elk Mistakenly Shot - Bridge Creek Area

Fish and Wildlife Troopers received information from witnesses regarding a subject that shot a spike elk and a cow elk in the Bridge Creek Wildlife Area. Troopers arrived and contacted the suspect who was not aware that he had shot a cow elk. Neither dead elk were visible from where the suspect was standing. The Troopers and witnesses located both elk from a different vantage point. The suspect and companions packed both elk out. The suspect was given a warning for **Unlawful Take of Cow Elk.** The elk was donated to the Ukiah School District and the suspect paid the cut and wrap fee through the meat processor.

#### **Bull Elk Decoy Helps ID Unlawful Activities**

Troopers braved frigid temperatures for multiple hours on two days conducting wildlife enforcement decoy operations in the snow which resulted in successfully identifying unlawful hunting activity:

John Day Fish and Wildlife Troopers received a report from ODFW of subjects in the Beulah Unit hunting without valid tags. A bull decoy operation was conducted in the area which resulted in the issuance of five citations and seven warnings. Offenses included Hunting Without Controlled Unit Tag, No Valid Big Game Tag, Aiding in Wildlife Offense, Hunting Prohibited Area, and Hunting with Aid of Motor Vehicle. One group was educated on the regulations regarding a disability permit.

Burns Fish and Wildlife Troopers teamed up to address complaints about subjects suspected of party hunting and other violations in the Malheur River Unit. A wildlife enforcement bull elk decoy was utilized which resulted in several contacts and multiple citations and warnings. One subject with a general second season spike elk tag shot from his vehicle and roadway. He was cited and released for **Hunting Prohibited Area** and **Take Branch Antler Bull Elk**, with several other charges forwarded to the District Attorney for consideration. His rifle was seized and secured into evidence.



### **ADMINISTRATION & ENFORCEMENT OF WILDLIFE LAWS**



#### Photo Evidence Makes Case - Yamhill County

A Fish and Wildlife Trooper received a TIP regarding an unlawfully taken elk in Yamhill County. The Trooper identified a suspect based on the controlled hunt list and e-tag reporting. The Trooper contacted local residents who provided a picture of the 5x6 bull kill on site. Using onX Maps the correct property was identified, access was obtained, and the photo of the bull kill site was matched to the background terrain identifying where it had died. The Trooper contacted the suspect who admitted to the incident, but stated he confused the Willamette Plus controlled hunt boundary with the General Season Antlerless Damage Tag. The elk meat and antlers were seized as evidence and the subject was cited criminally for **Unlawful Take of Bull Elk.** 

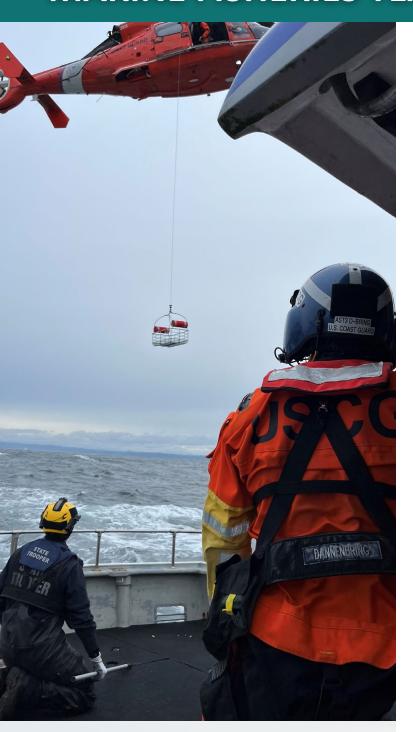


#### Unlawful Take Buck Deer - Coos County

A Coos Bay Fish and Wildlife Trooper responded to a report of a subject shooting a 3-point buck on a rural property outside Coquille. The subject and his father were contacted at the residence and denied any knowledge of the deer. During a consent search of the property a fresh gut pile was located on the edge of a pasture. After finding the gut pile the subject admitted to shooting the buck because he was after it all deer season, and never got it. The subject had not purchased a deer tag for 2022 and explained he was hunting on his father's rifle deer tag because he is disabled. The subjects were advised that wasn't a valid excuse, because rifle deer season was over. It was also determined that the subject was a convicted felon. The subject was criminally cited and released for Unlawful Take/Possession Buck Deer, and the charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Hunting Prohibited Method: Caliber Restrictions were referred to the Coos County District Attorney. A rim fire .22 rifle was seized as evidence, and the buck was seized and donated to charity.



## **MARINE FISHERIES TEAM**



#### **OSP Participates in USCG Trainings**

US Coast Guard (USCG) North Bend Air Station conducted at sea hoist trainings with OSP Newport Marine Fisheries Team (MFT). Rescue swimmers as well as rescue baskets were lowered on board as routine training exercises the air crews conduct. Crews utilized the PV Guardian as a new training platform to simulate real at sea rescues.

#### **Commercial Fishing Violations**

MFT Troopers conducted an investigation on a commercial fisherman who was selling albacore tuna without the proper licenses. MFT members observed the subject make two sales of tuna, and also located evidence of advertising on Craigslist. Upon contact Troopers determined the subject had sold and given away fish without a limited fish seller license and had not recorded anything on fish tickets. It was also determined a wholesale fish dealer had created a fish ticket for some of the fish that had been given away, without weighing or removing any fish from the boat, in an effort to cover for the subject. The subject was cited for **No Limited Fish Seller License.** The wholesale dealer was cited for **Failure to Properly Complete Fish Receiving Ticket.** 

#### Siltcoos Lake Boat Patrol

A Florence Fish and Wildlife Trooper conducted a boat patrol on Siltcoos Lake with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) with an emphasis on salmon anglers. During the patrol numerous subjects were contacted as they trolled for Coho salmon. One subject was contacted and admitted to having retained a salmon but stated he was still fishing for trout. He was educated on the regulations and issued a citation for **Continuing to Angle After Retaining a Daily Limit.** Another group of subjects were contacted and two of them did not have a combined angling harvest card in possession. Both subjects were told they could not fish without the combined angling card and warned for **No Combined Angling Harvest Card in Possession.** 

#### Subjects Caught Retaining Wild Coho

A Fish and Wildlife Trooper was contacting anglers along Lake Creek and the Siuslaw River when he noticed one subject scrambling up the bank as he approached. The subject was visibly nervous and stopped in front of the path while briefly speaking to the Trooper. The subject stated his brother was still down by the creek so the Trooper stepped around the subject and went down the path. The other subject was approaching the Trooper with a wet net and stating he was just moving the net. The Trooper observed blood on the ground. The first subject immediately told his brother to tell the Trooper where the fish was. The second subject revealed the fish's location in the brush and the Trooper identified it as a wild Coho salmon. The first subject was issued a citation for Take/Possession of Non-Adipose Fin-Clipped Coho Salmon and the second subject for Aiding in a Wildlife Violation.

## **SHELLFISH & ANGLING**



#### **Troopers Participate in Sturgeon Study**

La Grande and Enterprise Fish and Wildlife Troopers were asked to participate in a multi-agency sturgeon study on the Snake River in Hells Canyon. Participating agencies included Idaho Fish and Game, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Nez Pierce Tribal Fisheries, and Kootenai Tribal Fisheries. During the study Troopers assisted biologists with the capture of sturgeon so they could take measurements, samples and insert Passive Integrated Transponder (PIT) Tags in the fish. One purpose for this study is to better understand the movement of sturgeon, how it relates to their growth rate and reproductive ability.

#### **Subjects Crabbing During Closure**

A Tillamook Fish and Wildlife Trooper observed two subjects crabbing in a boat near Twin Rocks in the Pacific Ocean. Crabbing in the ocean was closed at the time. The Trooper contacted the subjects when they returned to the Garibaldi Marina and asked them how the crabbing had gone. The subjects stated that it was nice out on the ocean and no one else was crabbing out there. The Trooper advised that crabbing was closed in the ocean. The subjects were cited for **Crabbing Closed Area** and 24 crabs were released into Tillamook Bay.

#### **Angling Violations - Columbia River**

A Fish and Wildlife Sergeant from The Dalles checked a boat as it came into the ramp at Rowena on the Columbia River. Five people were on board with a combined nine adult Coho in possession. None of the fish had been validated on harvest cards and only four of the people were licensed. The operator of the boat was cited for Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Coho and Fail to Immediately Validate Harvest Card. Three juvenile anglers were permitted to record their harvests. The extra Coho was seized and donated to charity.

#### Subject Angling in Restricted Area

A Coos Bay Fish and Wildlife Trooper contacted a subject angling on Isthmus Slough, near the Green Acres tide gate, which is open to disabled and youth anglers only, with antisnagging rules. The subject did not have a disability permit, and was using a spinner with a treble hook. The subject was argumentative about signage in the area, and his need to check the regulations. The subject was issued a citation for **Angling Closed Area**, and was warned for **Angling Prohibited Method**.

#### Yelloweye Rockfish Retained

Newport Fish and Wildlife Troopers followed up on information received from an Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife fish checker. She checked a group of subjects at the South Beach Marina who were returning from angling in the ocean. Upon inspecting their catch, the fish checker observed that they were in possession of two Yelloweye Rockfish. Yelloweye Rockfish are a prohibited species and no retention of these fish is allowed. When the fish checker advised the men they were in possession of a prohibited species of fish, they became rude and uncooperative. Two of the subjects quickly removed the fish from the boat, put them in a cooler in their vehicle, and then left the marina, even after the fish checker advised them she was calling the Oregon State Police and wanted to take possession of the two illegal fish. All three subjects were eventually tracked down and cited criminally for Possession of Prohibited Species: Yelloweye Rockfish. One of the three subjects went to great lengths to avoid contact with the Troopers, even parking in a neighbor's driveway when he knew the Trooper was coming to his residence.

#### Coho Salmon Misidentified as Chinook

An Astoria Fish and Wildlife Trooper contacted a subject on the Necannicum River walking back to his vehicle at the Klootchy Creek Park east of Seaside while carrying a salmon. Upon contact, the man was excited he "Got a Chinook." Unfortunately, the salmon was a non-adipose fin-clipped Coho salmon. The man was given advice on how to tell the difference between a Coho and a Chinook salmon. While doing so, another man walked into the parking lot also carrying a non-adipose fin clipped Coho. He also believed his salmon was a Chinook. He also was instructed on proper salmon identification. Both subjects were issued citations for **Take/Possession of Non-Adipose Fin-Clipped Coho Salmon**. Both salmon were seized and donated to charity.

# 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

The TIP program offers preference point rewards or cash rewards for information leading to an arrest or issuance of a citation for the unlawful take/possession or waste of big game mammals.

## 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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