

WDFW subtracts non-lethal tool from wolf hot spot

By DON JENKINS
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A calf was mauled this month by the Togo wolf pack in the Kettle River Range the day after the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife removed the only alarm box guarding cattle from the predators, which have been targeted for lethal control three straight years.

Fish and Wildlife won't say where it took the radio-activated device, frustrating the department's partners in employing non-lethal measures to break the region's cycle of depredations and lethal removal.

"I absolutely want to know, especially if it's still in my area," said Jeff Flood, wildlife sheriff's deputy for Ferry and Stevens counties.

"I still don't understand why they're being so secretive," he said. "I share everything with those people. I thought it was a two-way street."

Fish and Wildlife spokeswoman Staci Lehman said the department moved the box to a smaller pasture. Naming the pack territory would reveal the identity of the rancher, who wants to remain anonymous, she said.

Pack territories in Washington average 285 square miles and typically include many producers, according to Fish and Wildlife.

Fish and Wildlife pledged this year to focus on packs that regularly attack livestock. The Togo pack territory is the only one that currently meets the department's definition of a "special focus area."



A wolf in the Togo pack in Ferry County in northeast Washington.

Scott Nielsen, who heads the Cattle Producers of Washington's wolf-livestock conflict program, said the Togo territory is again a "very hot, active spot."

Nielsen said he's concerned that if depredations escalate, the department will cite the absence of an alarm box as a reason to delay culling the Togo pack.

"Fish and Wildlife removed a non-lethal deterrent from an area that's suppose to be a special focus area," he said.

The state funds the cattlemen's program, which relies on horseback riders to watch for trouble. The cattlemen are directed to coordinate their efforts with Fish and Wildlife.

Nielsen said the department won't tell him where the alarm box has been placed in another area patrolled by the cattlemen.

"It seems like it would be collaborative to share that kind of stuff," he said. "We don't need to know the name of the producer. We need to know the pack."

Fish and Wildlife confirmed the Togo pack injured calves June 24 and Aug. 6. The second calf was euth-

anized because of its injuries. The department put the alarm box in the territory in July and took it away Aug. 5.

If Fish and Wildlife confirms two more depredations this summer, the Togo pack will have crossed the threshold for the department to consider lethal removal.

Flood said he anticipates more trouble this summer. "Something's going to go bad in the Togos," he said.

The Togo pack has four adults and four pups. One wolf has a radio collar that activates the alarm box, which emits sounds such as explosives or gun fire. Fish and Wildlife has one working box and two that need repairs.

It's unclear whether the alarm box is effective. Fish and Wildlife, however, lists it among its non-lethal tools.

Oregon hemp regulators get more 'boots on the ground'

By MATEUSZ PERKOWSKI
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Oregon hemp farmers will soon see more regulatory "boots on the ground" as the state's Department of Agriculture triples the number of employees dedicated to the crop.

The ODA will expand its hemp staff from four to 12 positions in the 2021-2023 biennium after the agency was authorized to increase spending on the program from about \$500,000 to \$3.5 million.

Lawmakers approved the higher hemp program expenditures partly due to concerns that the crop was being used as a cover for illicit marijuana production, said Lauren Henderson, ODA's assistant director.

"People could not say: That is a hemp field or that is a marijuana field. Or that is legal or that is not," he said. "The concern is we don't know."

Though both plants are forms of cannabis that look similar, hemp doesn't have enough of the compound THC to cause the psychoactive effects of marijuana.

Marijuana is more tightly regulated under state law than hemp



Fletcher Farms Hemp Co.

A field of hemp grows in Oregon. The Oregon Department of Agriculture has been authorized to increase spending on its hemp program from about \$500,000 to \$3.5 million, allowing the agency to increase hemp staff from four to 12 positions.

and it's also illegal to grow under federal law.

The ODA's hemp program started small with 13 growers about six years ago and was initially overseen by staff from other agency programs, Henderson said.

As the program grew with the crop's popularity, the staff has often focused on hemp registration while inspections and compliance enforcement haven't kept up, he said.

Among the new staff will be a hemp program manager who will serve as a point person for growers, as well as employees who perform inspections and compliance work in specific regions, Henderson said.

"They will be our eyes and ears, our boots on the ground," said Sunny Summers, ODA's cannabis policy coordinator.

The added positions will allow the agency to better respond to

complaints, follow up on regulatory questions and enforce program rules, Henderson said.

"I expect now that we're more visible on the ground, we will most likely find compliance issues," he said.

The additional money will come from reserves raised from hemp licenses, rather than from the state's general fund. The Legislature approved expanding the hemp staff as part of ODA's 2021-2023 budget, which was recently signed by Gov. Kate Brown.

"We were prudent in knowing we would need additional resources," Henderson said.

The agency expects the 12 positions will be the minimum number needed to run the hemp program, despite recent fluctuations in production.

Hemp production rose from about 100 acres in 2015 to a peak of 64,000 acres in 2019, but dropped to 28,000 acres last year due to economic problems. So far in 2021, only 6,500 hemp acres have been registered with ODA.

Slumps in production may prompt the agency to consider raising license fees, Henderson said. The increased enforcement

spending is "long overdue" for the hemp industry, whose reputation suffers if it's associated with illicit marijuana, said Jerry Norton, a hemp entrepreneur and board member of the Oregon Industrial Hemp Farmers Association.

"That puts a black eye on the industry," Norton said. "We don't want that within the industry."

ODA's increased spending on the hemp program will dovetail with broader legal changes approved by lawmakers as part of House Bill 3000, an omnibus cannabis bill passed during the 2021 legislative session.

The agency's hemp staff will work with employees from the state's Liquor Control Commission to conduct "spot tests" to ensure the crop is not actually marijuana, Summers said. These checks will be separate from the tests that ensure hemp is below 0.3% THC that occur at harvest time.

Hemp growers will also undergo background checks, as required by federal law, and ODA is cooperating with other agencies to perform a "safety assessment" of hemp producers concentrated in Southern Oregon, she said.

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Reputed owner(s)
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Reputed owner(s)
RAMON HERRERA VIRELAS
MARION/POLK SCHOOLS CREDIT UNION

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VIN = KMHGN4JE3FU025036
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Amount due on lien \$1555.00
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ROBERT SPRINGER BOLTE

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VIN = 1G1PF55B7G7128965
Amount due on lien \$1515.00
Reputed owner(s)
ASHLI D CARDOSO
OREGON COMMUNITY C.U

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VIN = WP0AAZ73FL000171
Amount due on lien \$1555.00
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2885 NATIONAL WAY WOODBURN, OR 2019 HOND CIV 4DR
VIN = 19XFC2F87KE214634
Amount due on lien \$1555.00
Reputed owner(s) MARIA TERESA
MENDEZ SANCHEZ
CENTRAL WILLAMETTE C.C.U

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VIN = 3GNAXYEX4K5563396
Amount due on lien \$1415.00
Reputed owner(s) MICHAEL R & GAYLE J STRINGFELLOW
GM FINANCIAL

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VIN = 3D77P2CL8BG509736
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Reputed owner(s)
TIM MCCARTY

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VIN = 3N6CMOKN5JK702168
Amount due on lien \$1535.00
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Amount due on lien \$1675.00
Reputed owner(s)
STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTO INS CO

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The Harney SWCD is accepting bids for the Beaver Tables aerial seeding, located approximately 35 miles south east of Burns, Oregon, within the Beaver Table mound range. The seeding consists of approximately 1,200 acres of aerial application. Seed mixture of 10 lbs of Siberian wheatgrass and 1 lb of forage kochia. There is a mandatory bid tour beginning at 8:30 am on Thursday, September 2, 2021. Sealed bids are due either by hand delivered or by mail no later than noon, Wednesday, September 15, 2021. More information and bid packets can be obtained at the HSJCD office located 530 Hwy 20 South in Hines, or on the district website, HarneySWCD.org.

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15114 MANNING RD WOODBURN, OR 2014 RAM 1500 PK
VIN = 1C6RR7GT9E5443188
Amount due on lien \$8955.00
Reputed owner(s)
ELEAZAR CRUZ HERNANDEZ
UNITED FINANCE CO

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15114 MANNING RD WOODBURN, OR 2017 FORD MUSTANG 2DR
VIN = 1FAGP8AM9H5286456
Amount due on lien \$5655.00
Reputed owner(s)
ENIO ANSELMO GOMEZ SALES
WESTLAKE FINANCIAL SERVICES

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VIN = 4T1BF1FK1EU861589
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Reputed owner(s)
BRANDON KEITH HENSLE
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VIN = 3TMCZSAXNXL308529
Amount due on lien \$1695.00
Reputed owner(s)
RACHEL & WILLIAM MITCHELL
TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP

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Reputed owner(s) VICTORY LANE
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ASHLEY & GENE PIRELLI
FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY

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Reputed owner(s)
FLEXDRIVE SERVICES LLC
HYUNDAI MOTOR FINANCE

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Reputed owner(s)
KAPITOLINA & KASIYAM
PIRFILU BORU

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VIN = 2T3RWRFLV0LW079652
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HIEP V NGUYEN & THUY T VO
TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP

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DAIMLER TRUST/DAIMLER TITLE CO

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VIN = JTEBU11F070066527
Amount due on lien \$1455.00
Reputed owner(s)
SUNSHINE PANTRY/SHARON J STRAUS
TOYT MOTOR CREDIT CORP

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ROGER W & LEE F ORR