

A YEAR IN: SPIRITS BRAND SEE STEADY GROWTH

Chute 8
Whiskey &
Vodka



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Since its launch last year, Chute 8 Whiskey, a brain-child of the Farm-City Pro Rodeo, has seen steady growth in popularity. John Ufford is the CEO of Portland-based Indio Spirits where the whiskey and vodka is distilled and bottled. He said Chute 8 spirits are distributed in Oregon, Nevada, California, Arizona, Washington and Colorado with plans to roll out distribution in Texas, South Carolina and North Carolina by the end of the summer. While brand notoriety continues to expand, sales are strongest in Chute 8's home state.

Farm-City Pro Rodeo board member Dennis Barnett said the whiskey and vodka's first year went well and he's hopeful the products will continue to move into additional states across the U.S. Liquor laws require spirits to be qualified in each individual state, then the product needs a distributor in that state before sales can begin. According to Barnett



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