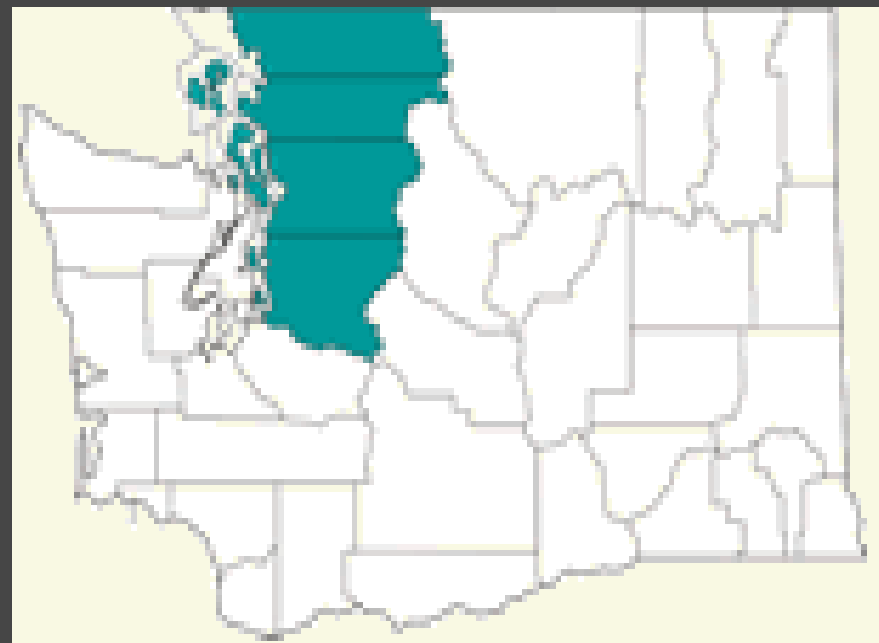


# REGION 4 TEAM



# REGION 4 PERSONNEL

## DETACHMENT 1

SGT ERIK OLSON  
OFFICER JAKE GRESHOCK  
OFFICER TYLAR STEPHENSON  
OFFICER NATALIE HALE  
OFFICER HWA KIM  
OFFICER TONY JAROS  
OFFICER TRENT WIEDERT

## DETACHMENT 11

SGT JENNIFER MAURSTAD  
OFFICER MIKE MCQUOID  
OFFICER CARLY PETERS  
OFFICER NICK JORG  
OFFICER JEFF LEE  
OFFICER DAVE JONES  
OFFICER SHAWN VINCENT  
OFFICER JOHN LUDWIG

## DETACHMENT 10

SGT KIM CHANDLER  
OFFICER CHRIS MOSZETER  
OFFICER JASON CAPELLI  
OFFICER LANCE STEVENS  
OFFICER MIKE APPLE

## DETACHMENT 13

SGT RUSS MULLINS  
OFFICER CLINT LUCCI  
OFFICER JOSH KOONTZ  
OFFICER ANDY STOUT  
OFFICER TAYLOR KIMBALL  
OFFICER RALPH DOWNES  
OFFICER KATIE PEREZ  
OFFICER RYAN VALENTINE

# WDFW POLICE BUSINESS PLAN



WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

## LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

*A STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR THE FUTURE*

### VISION

We are recognized as the premier natural resource law enforcement agency in the nation.

### MISSION

To protect our natural resources and the public we serve.

### PATHWAYS TO OBJECTIVES



Developing our workforce



Using Technology in Resource Protection



Ensuring Our Staff Have What They Need to do the Job



Achieving Relevance to the Greater Public

### STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- ✓ Illegal take and trafficking of fish and wildlife is prevented.
- ✓ Threatened and endangered species are protected.
- ✓ Introduction and spread of invasive species is prevented.
- ✓ Fish and wildlife habitat / public lands are protected.
- ✓ People are safe in the outdoors.
- ✓ Seafood consumers and legitimate seafood trade are protected.
- ✓ Fishing, hunting, commercial fishing and other outdoor activities are orderly.
- ✓ Program profile and connection with the public is increased.
- ✓ Law enforcement best practices in business operations, standards of conduct, equipment utilization, and technology are exceeded.

*"Protecting our natural resources and the public we serve"*

# REGIONAL PRIORITIES AND PROJECT PLANS

- ▶ IMPROVING GRAVEL TO GRAVEL PROTECTION OF ESA LISTED SPECIES – ID AND MAPPING
- ▶ REDUCING ILLEGAL ACTIVITY ON PUBLIC LANDS – SNOQUALMIE WLA ISSUES
- ▶ PROVIDE EFFECTIVE AND TIMELY RESPONSE TO DANGEROUS WILDLIFE INCIDENTS
- ▶ EXPAND STATES ILLEGAL, UNDOCUMENTED, UNREGULATED INVOLVMENT – KING CRAB

# REGIONAL CHALLENGES/MAJOR INVESTMENTS

- ▶ NORTH OF FALCON – FISHING CLOSURES
- ▶ SOUTERN RESIDENT KILLER WHALE GRANT EXPIRATION
- ▶ CATASTROPHIC ENGINE FAILURE IN DOUBLE UGLY – #6
- ▶ PROBLEM WILDLIFE IN URBAN ENVIRONMENT
- ▶ SANITARY SHELLFISH PATROLS AND MONITORING
- ▶ EXPANDING SOURCES FOR VESSEL PURCHASES & MAINTENANCE
- ▶ MAJOR SHELLFISH POACHING/TRAFFICKING CASES IN PUGET SOUND AREA
- ▶ DIVE TEAM DEVELOPMENT
- ▶ WILDLIFE SERVICE DOG TEAM DEVELOPMENT



# UNPRECEDENTED BREAKDOWN IN NEGOTIATIONS AT NOF

- ▶ THE PROBLEM: TRIBES AND STATE TALKS LED TO IMPASS.
- ▶ THE RESULT: SHUTDOWN OF FISHERIES IN MOST MAJOR PUGET SOUND RIVERS AND LAKES.
- ▶ IMPACTS ON ENFORCEMENT: MASSIVE AMOUNT OF COMPLAINTS, NON-COMPLIANCE, AND MISINFORMATION. ENFORCEMENT IS TIP OF THE SPEAR.
- ▶ CURRENT STATUS: STATE AND TRIBE RETURNED TO THE TABLE AND CAME TO AN AGREEMENT.

# SOUTHERN RESIDENT KILLER WHALE GRANT

THE PROBLEM: THE GRANT WAS EXPIRING

THE SOLUTION: APPLY FOR RENEWAL – HUGELY  
TIME INTENSIVE AND COMPLICATED PROCESS

THE RESULTS: WDFW AWARDED \$1MIL GRANT



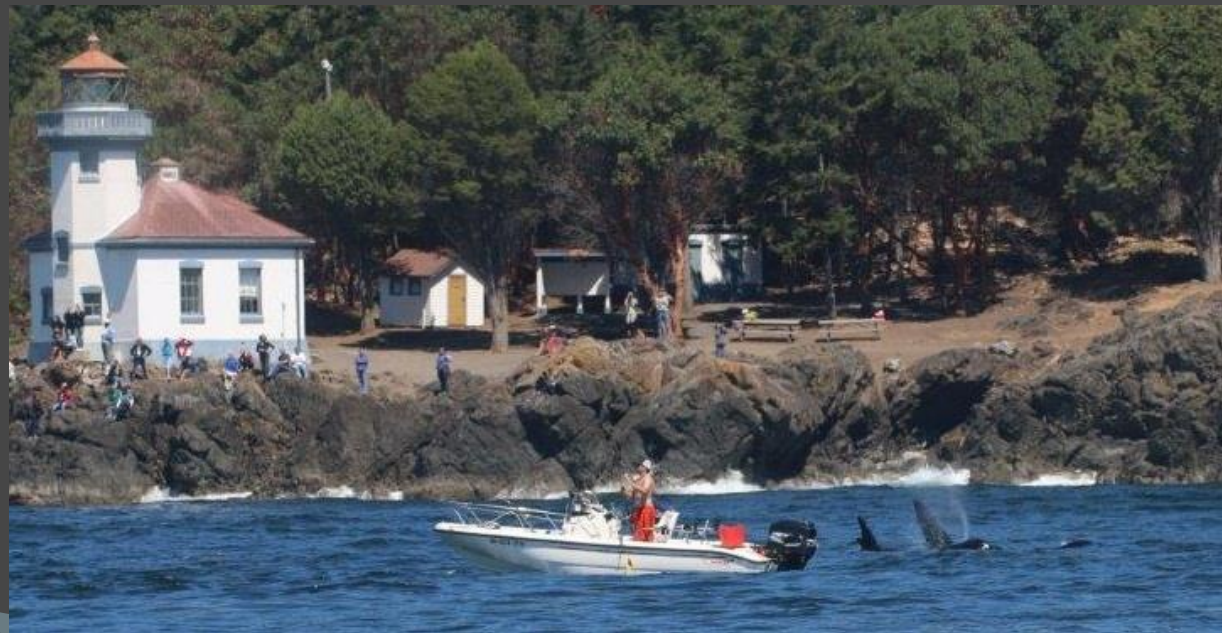
# WDFW-NOAA GRANT

- ▶ 50 EXTRA DEDICATED PATROLS
- ▶ ONE FULL-TIME OFFICER
- ▶ FUEL FUNDING AND ENHANCED ELECTRONICS
- ▶ SOUNDWATCH PASS THRU FUNDING
- ▶ JEA ROLL-IN





# PRIVATE AND COMMERCIAL VESSELS



# MEDIA/VIP TOURS





# ATTACK OF THE DRONES!





# OTHER ISSUES



# REPOWER OF VESSEL #6

- ▶ THE PROBLEM: CATASTROPHIC FAILURE OF ENGINES – APPROACHING END OF SERVICE LIFE
- ▶ THE SOLUTION: DEVELOPED REPOWER SPECS AND BID – came up with \$130k from Gauntlett sale
- ▶ THE RESULT: #6 IS BACK IN FULL SERVICE



# DOUBLE UGLY – WDFW #6





# THE PORT SECURITY GRANT



# THE PORT SECURITY GRANT

- ▶ THE PROBLEM: AGING VESSEL FLEET AND NEEDED A WAY TO TAP A VAST FUNDING SOURCE TO SUPPORT PROGRAM GOALS
- ▶ THE SOLUTION: INCREASE OUR VISIBILITY AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL IN ORDER TO BE COMPETITIVE FOR RECEIVING GRANT AWARD
- ▶ THE RESULT: AWARDED 750K TOTAL – THIS ENABLED US TO BEGIN TO SPEC AND BUILD NEW VESSEL IN CENTRAL PUGET SOUND

# PORT SECURITY GRANT DEVELOPMENT

- ▶ WDFW is the only statewide law enforcement entity on the waters of Washington State.
- ▶ Through federal funding, as an ancillary duty, WDFW has taken a leadership role in radiation detection on the waters of the Puget Sound.
- ▶ This role in Port Security gained the attention of both the USCG Captain of the Port and the Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO). As a member of the Area Maritime Security Committee (AMSC), WDFW was eligible to receive port security grant funding.



# WDFW #1 – PORT SECURITY GRANT VESSEL



# MAJOR SHELLFISH POACHING CASES

- ▶ LARGE SCALE CRAB AND SHRIMP POACHING AND TRAFFICKING IN THE CENTRAL PUGET SOUND
- ▶ THIS DISCUSSION BROUGHT REALITY TO GREAT SIGNIFICANCE OF UNACCOUNTED FOR CATCH THAT IMPACTS NON-TRIBAL FISHERS AS A HIT TO HARVEST ALLOCATIONS
- ▶ DETACHMENT 1 AND SIU INVESTIGATION
- ▶ SUCCESSFUL APPRHENSION AND ARRESTS

# TRIBAL CASE #1

*“I KNEW WHAT I WAS DOING WAS WRONG”*

- ▶ Co-Director of Fish and Wildlife for the Tulalip Tribe – statement during in-custody interview





MARCH 28, 2015





## Baiting Pots

## Returning with No Pots







- ▶ Multiple transactions occurred at Coffee Stand in Lynnwood – money exchanged





# Transaction at Car Wash in Lynnwood





Motor being removed by poaching crew

Stolen motor at Everett Marina



Stolen motor in back of suspect's truck

# UNLAWFUL TRAFFICKING FELONY DRUG POSSESSION MAY 8, 2015

- ▶ Suspect and son observed returning to port with ~100 pounds of shrimp







## ILLEGAL FISH BUYER

### 3 FELONY CONVICTIONS

VUCSA 2011

EXTORTION 1<sup>ST</sup> DEGREE 2009

VUCSA 2007





# Plane footage

AMS:1519ft TGT N047°45'27.67" W122°27'59.74" EL:0.0ft DIST:0.9M WSP Smokey-3 21:13:49 Sat May 23 2015

FLIR SYSTEMS  
HAZE 45°40'44" N 122°29'04.90" W  
QFPD 89 KTS HDG 209 °T  
ALT 1519 FT

106° T  
E S

VIDEO 47°45'27" N 122°27'59.74" W  
SPD 3 MPH HDG SLT  
ELV 0 FT PARGEL 1483 M

OFF STREET  
FIND

05/24/15  
04:13:33 Z

MEAS OFF  
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HDIR  
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FOC MAN  
LESS MAN

W N 3.8 M  
- / President Point Rd NE  
Indianola WA (Kitsap County, Puget Sound)

REC

GEOPCINT  
INS' N 0.27°  
TIZ S N  
SLAVE READY  
[no markers]

The image shows a thermal camera feed of an aircraft at night. The aircraft is the central focus, appearing as a bright, elongated shape with distinct engine and wing areas. The background is dark, typical of a night sky. The interface is overlaid with various data points and control elements. At the top, there's a status bar with altitude, target coordinates, and system name. On the left, there are navigation and control icons. On the right, there are buttons for video, split, map, and find. At the bottom, there are additional data points and a small inset showing a different view or status.



# Small sale of crab

The screenshot displays a maritime tracking software interface with the following data and controls:

- Top Status Bar:** AMSL:2007ft TGT N047°41'15.48" W122°24'11.05" EL:12.3ft DIST:0.4M | WSP Smokey-3 22:49:29 Sat May 23 2015
- Left Panel:**
  - FLIK SYSTEMS
  - HAT: 41°30.03" N 122°23'49.30" W
  - SPD: 81 KTS HDG: 317 °T
  - ALT: 2007 FT
  - Date/Time: 05/24/15 05:49:13 Z
  - MEAS OFF LRF
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  - Location: Seaview Ave NW (7973-8015) / Seaview Pl NW 8015 SEAVIEW PL NW 98117 Seattle WA (King County, Golden Gardens Park)
- Center View:** Aerial view of a vessel with a heading indicator showing 225° and a compass rose with -29° and 261° markings.
- Right Panel:**
  - VIDEO OFF
  - SPD: 0 MPH
  - ELV: 10 FT
  - HDG: 317 °T
  - SLT: 882 M
  - OFF PARCELL
  - Navigation controls: +, -, MENU, REC, and a pause button.
  - GEOPOINT INS NAV: 0.21°
  - TRK S N
  - SAVE READY [no markers]

# CASE RESULTS

- ▶ 40 TOTAL FELONIES
- ▶ 12 Counts – Unlawful trafficking in fish and wildlife 1<sup>st</sup> degree (Class B felony)
- ▶ 8 Counts – Unlawful trafficking in fish and wildlife 1<sup>st</sup> degree (Class C felony)
- ▶ 16 Counts – Violation of commercial fishing area or time 1<sup>st</sup> degree (Class C felony)
- ▶ 2 Counts – 2<sup>nd</sup> degree theft (Class C felony)
- ▶ 1 Count – Perjury in the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree (Class C felony)
- ▶ 1 Count – Possession of a controlled substance (Class C felony)
- ▶ 1 Count – Providing false information regarding fish and wildlife (Gross Misdemeanor)
- ▶ The investigation spanned nearly 5 months



# TRIBAL CASE #2

*“To tell you the truth, I didn’t know you guys were State, I thought that was fisheries trying to get me for my warrant, or else I would never had ran from you guys. So, I am honestly sorry for that. I thought you guys were Tulalip Fisheries and I run from them all the time.”*



# TRIBAL CASE #2 RESULTS

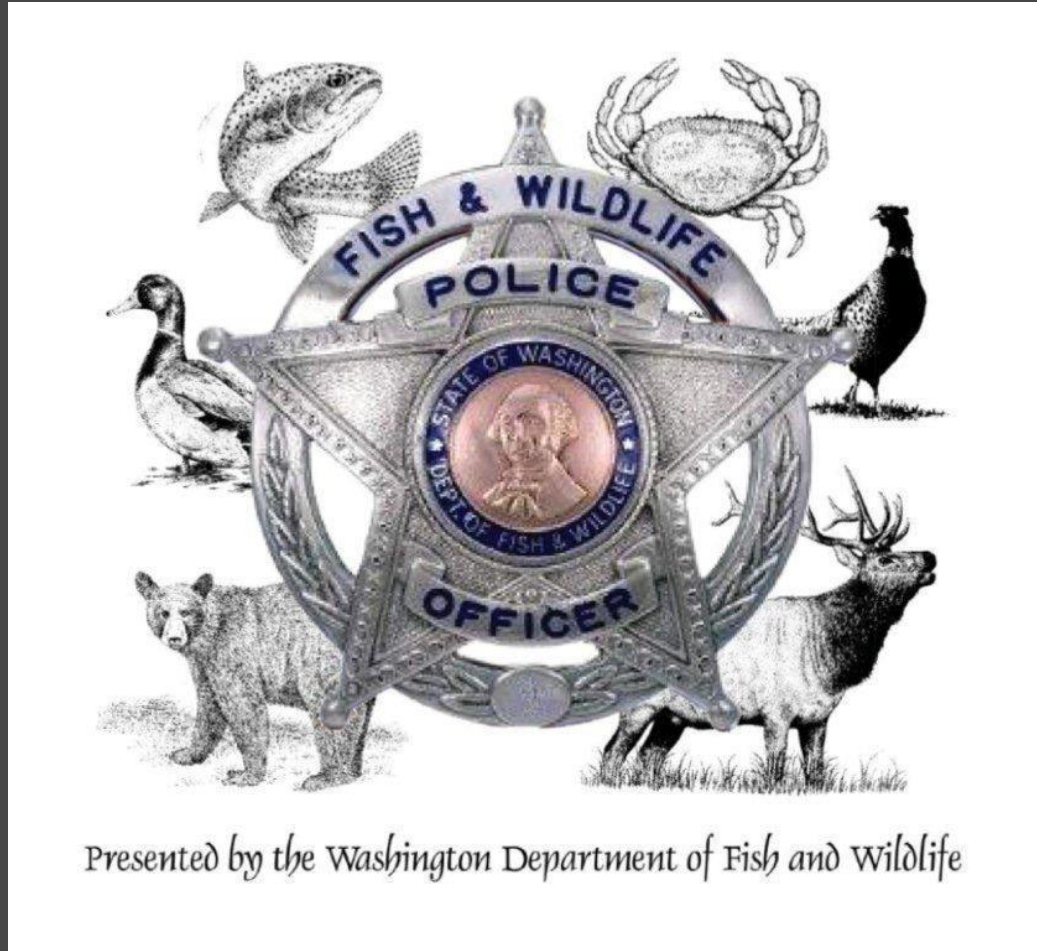
- ▶ **23 TOTAL FELONIES**
- ▶ **1 Count** – unlawful trafficking shellfish 1<sup>st</sup> degree (Class B Felony)
- ▶ **13 Counts** – Unlawful trafficking 2<sup>nd</sup> degree (Class C Felony)
- ▶ **6 Counts** – Violation of Commercial Fishing Area or Time (Class C Felony)
- ▶ **2 Counts** – Possession of Stolen Property (Class C Felony)
- ▶ **1 Count** – Eluding a police vehicle (Class C Felony)
- ▶ The investigation spanned approximately 5 weeks

# TRIBAL RELATIONS IN THE AFTERMATH OF MAJOR TRIBAL CASES

- ▶ POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS
  - ▶ DEMAND FOR NEGOTIATIONS
  - ▶ DEVELOPMENT OF ENFORCEMENT  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN WDFW POLICE AND  
TRIBAL AUTHORITIES
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# SPECIAL TEAMS STATUS REPORT



*Presented by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife*

# WDFW POLICE DIVE TEAM





# WDFW POLICE KBD TEAM





# WDFW Karelian Bear Dog Team

Mishka



Cash



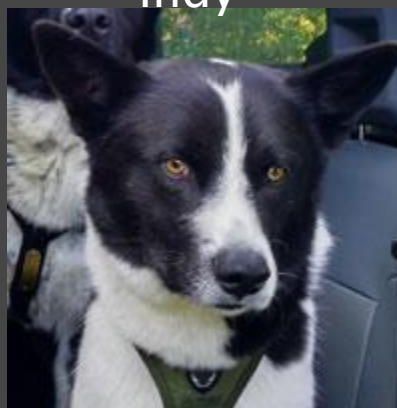
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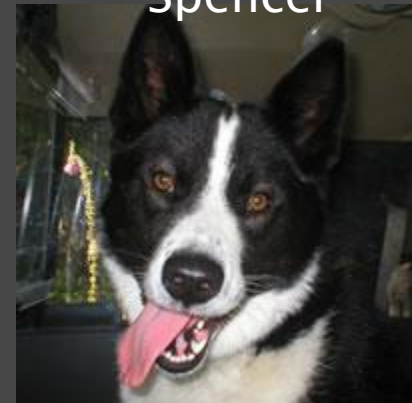
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# WSD POLICY PROJECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ▶ Acquired new KBD puppy (Jax)
- ▶ Selected new KBD Handler (Officer Kirsch)
- ▶ Team completed Annual In-Service Training
- ▶ Attended numerous PR Events
- ▶ Successful handling of bear and cougar incidents

# FUTURE GOALS

- ▶ WORK TO IMPROVE DANGEROUS WILDLIFE RESPONSE STRATEGIES WITH A CROSS PROGRAM TEAM APPROACH
- ▶ COMPLETE ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH TUALIP AND STILLAGUAMISH TRIBES – CONTINUE TO FOSTER STRONG RELATIONS WITH ALL REGION 4 TRIBES THROUGH THE PUGET SOUND STATE/TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT COUNCEL MEETINGS
- ▶ OUTREACH WITH LOCAL PROSECUTORS TO IMPROVE NOTIFICATIONS AND CHARGING DECISIONS

**THANK YOU**

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**