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Human Wildlife Conflict Report #17-21999

Area: COQUITLAM - MAPLE RIDGE - SOUTH COAST REGION

Call Received: 2017-10-17 08:03  
Received By: DAWN (Admin ECC)

COM Details [ - ]

Caller Name (COM):	TODD - TRANSIT POLICE	Contact Number(s):	
Street Address:	+ COQUITLAM, BC	Business	604-515-8302

Occurrence Information [ - ]

Incident Date/Time:	2017-10-17 08:03	Occurrence Location	
Species Involved:	BLACK BEAR	SEE BELOW DESCRIPTION	
Nature of Complaint:	CONFINED	2920 Barnett Hwy	
Attractants Noted:	NOT APPLICABLE		
Action Taken:	PHONED CO		

Details:

Requesting CO assistance with a BB that is currently wandering around inside station on a train platform. Staff are currently being evacuated.

Actions Taken

Date	Time	Narrative
2017-10-17	08:04:53	briefed CO Sharlene Syer - patched to COM

Notification History

2017-10-17 08:07 Email to: Fraser North [MAPLE RIDGE] s.15 | Sent from s.15

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## Human Wildlife Conflict Report #17-21999

Area: COQUITLAM - MAPLE RIDGE - SOUTH COAST REGION

## Update # 1

Call Recieved: 2017-10-17 08:03  
Recieved By: CHUCK (Admin ECC)  
Update Logged: 2017-10-17 08:12

### COM Details

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Caller Name (COM): TODD - TRANSIT POLICE  
Street Address: +  
COQUITLAM, BC

Contact Number(s):  
Business 604-515-8302

### Occurance Information

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Incident Date/Time: 2017-10-17 08:03  
Species Involved: BLACK BEAR  
Nature of Complaint: CONFINED  
Attractants Noted: NOT APPLICABLE  
Action Taken: EMAILED CO

Occurance Location  
SEE BELOW DESCRIPTION  
2920 Barnett Hwy

### Details:

Advised Transit Police are responding to the scene.

### Notification History

2017-10-17 08:13 Email to: Fraser North [MAPLE RIDGE] s.15 | Sent from  
s.15

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## Human Wildlife Conflict Report #17-21999

Area: COQUITLAM - MAPLE RIDGE - SOUTH COAST REGION

## Update # 2

Call Recieved: 2017-10-17 08:03

Recieved By: DAWN (Admin ECC)

Update Logged: 2017-10-18 12:28

### COM Details

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Caller Name (COM): TROY HENYECZ - S/SGT TRANSIT POLICE

Street Address: +  
COQUITLAM, BC

Contact Number(s):

Business

s.22

### Occurance Information

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Incident Date/Time: 2017-10-17 08:03

Species Involved: BLACK BEAR

Nature of Complaint: SIGHTINGS

Attractants Noted: NOT APPLICABLE

Action Taken: PHONED CO

Occurance Location

SEE BELOW DESCRIPTION

2920 Barnett Hwy

#### Details:

Requesting contact with S/CO in regards to COS response yesterday.

### Actions Taken

Date	Time	Narrative
2017-10-18	12:33:54	briefed S/CO Todd Hunter - patched to COM

### Notification History

2017-10-18 12:37 Email to: Fraser North [MAPLE RIDGE] s.15  
s.15 ] Sent from

Human Wildlife Conflict Report #17-21999

Area: COQUITLAM - MAPLE RIDGE - SOUTH COAST REGION  
Status: Reviewed [ Concluded on: 2017-Oct-17 ]

Outcome Report

Call Received: 2017-10-17 08:03  
Received By: DAWN (Admin ECC)

COM Details [ + ]

Occurrence Information [ + ]

Outcome Report

Action Required:	Yes	Ref. Report #:	
Sergeant Reviewed:	Yes	Concluded On:	2017-10-17
Attended:	Not Required	Officer(s) Assigned	Time Spent
Complainant Contacted:	Yes	1. SYER	2.5 Hours
		2.	Hours
		3.	Hours
		Total Time Spent (hours):	2.5 Hours

Narrative:

2017-10-17 0823

Briefed pre-shift regarding a bear "cub" that had been observed walking along the west coast express tracks. Transit police responded and secured staff and patrons from the area. CO SYER was patched through at the time of the call at 0821hrs and spoke to the dispatcher. The dispatcher confirmed with the members that the bear had left the area into a nearby ravine.

Approximately 20 minutes later, CO SYER received a call for the transit police stating the bear was back. CO SYER was given Cst Shannon's cell phone number and asked to call him for an update. CO SYER was enroute to s 1 to get a trap. There were no traps in the yard. Cst Shannon was called for an update. The bear was no longer in their sight, but he thought it was nearby somewhere. He believed this was the same bear that had been observed in a tree in September and their staff and RCMP attended and removed the people from any apparent danger and the bear left the area. This was not confirmed though as the bear was described as a small bear with no distinguishing marks or noted behaviours.

The bear is described as a smaller, non-aggressive, non-tagged bear. Transit police described his behavior as "aggressive" because it was walking on the tracks near to people. Education on bear activity and behaviour was given. Bear is habituated to humans but was not acting aggressively.

Advice was given to the members and they were advised to maintain public safety if the situation presents itself again in the future and to call RCMP and COS. If they can tree the bear then the bear could be captured and relocated if it meets the criteria on the matrix. Currently the bear is not a candidate for removal and destruction based on it's history.

COS will continue to monitor the situation.

2017-10-18, Sgt. HUNTER was contacted by Translink SSGT. HENYZC and incident and background was discussed. Translink is concerned there is a habituated bear in this area and pointed out a previous occurrence. Sgt. HUNTER noted further follow up to the area and concern is merited. Translink will send e-mail to Sgt. HUNTER detailing previous incident and their concerns and contact numbers.

2017-10-18 14:15

Sgt. Reviewed. E-mail sent to officer and request to attend site for inspection of area and further follow-up.

2017-10-20 10:06

0900 hrs met with translink NCO Tom Sebastian. Inspected area of sighting. Garbage remaining from homeless person's stay located in woods to the west of CP rail track. No other attractants noted. Email sent to Julie Kanya and Sgt Hunter providing update and request for services.

Hi Julie,

I attended at 2920 Barnet Highway and spoke to Translink NCO Tom about the bear cub that was observed crossing the tracks the other day. The site was inspected at the West Coast skytrain and there are no attractants noted. The bear climbed the CP fence on the south side from Hoy creek crossing the tracks to the north side where it checked out the garbage remains from a homeless individual who has since left the area.

The property is believed to be the cities responsibility where the garbage is located. The garbage is located between the Coquitlam central station and the skytrain station. If you walk southbound past the skytrain towards the wooded area you will see the chain link fence. The camp was located in the wooded and brushy area to the right. There is a hole cut in the CP fence that the Translink NCO will notify CP Rail about.

Would the city come out and clean up the debris?

Also the NCO stated that there is supposed to be a homeless camp to the south, across Hoy creek. I walked there off of Dacre Ave and I assume they were living under the overpass in that area. There was no one there now or rather no attractant issues. The area is a natural bear corridor with plenty of berry bushes and fish.

No bear scat was located on any of the paths I walked on so if they are here, It's not often.

I advised the transit police to call us if the bear is observed in the area. We will continue to monitor at this time.

Coordinates of occurrence location, if known:

Zone                      Easting                      Northing

Equipment:

Equipment Used                      Date Set                      Date Removed

Actions Taken by C.O.

Complaint Outcome:	Advice Provided	Date:	* 2017-10-17
Species Involved:	BLACK BEAR	Inspection #:	Compulsory Inspection Number
How Many Involved:	1		
Sex:	-- select sex --		
Age:	-- select age --		
Drug Used:	-- select drug --	Relocation Location	
Weight:		Tag Numbers:	
Amount Used:			LEFT                      RIGHT
Vial Number:		UTM	
Method:	-- select method --		
Drug Induction:		ZONE                      EASTING                      NORTHING	
Provide details (i.e., number of darts used, location of induction, length of recovery, etc.)		Provide relocation location details.	

Complaint Outcome:	-- select outcome --
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Workflow History

- 2017-10-17 11:59 - s.15 - New Document: Status: Concluded (Date concluded 2017-10-17 00:00)
- 2017-10-18 14:52 - - Status: Reviewed

**From:** Syer, Sharlene ENV:EX  
**To:** Guercio, Anna ENV:EX  
**Cc:** Hunter, Todd J ENV:EX  
**Subject:** FW: HWCR 17-21999 Update 2 - BLACK BEAR - SIGHTINGS - MAPLE RIDGE - COQUITLAM  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 25, 2017 1:10:12 PM

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COORS file please?

Me as lead, copy of HWCR in file please.

Contravention:

WLA: Intentionally feed dangerous wildlife Sec. 33.1(1)(a)

CR:

Attended the Dacre Street, Coquitlam homeless camp. Met with Coquitlam bylaws, Coquitlam RCMP and Transit police. Visited homeless camp south of CP rail yard, behind West Coast skytrain station, west of Lougheed highway in the wooded area believed to be city parks property. Report received to the COS indicated that a habituated bear cub may be lingering in the area as a result of the homeless camp patrons feeding it.

Spoke to 3 people residing in the camp who provided the following information:

Sus #1 - s.22

Stated 5-6 bears in the area. s.22

and he has not fed it. (at the time of interview, there were many attractants present and a verbal warning followed to immediately clean up the area).

Sus #2 - s.22

the area s.22

s.22

Also said there is a number of bears in

Education and an immediate order was given to clean up the attractants.

Sus #3 - s.22

He described 5-6 bears in the area and according to the RCMP member at scene, is the individual who is feeding the bear(s). A verbal warning was issued to cease and desist that activity immediately and to clean up the attractants. Education and advice was given and allegedly understood regarding the very real possibility of a wildlife conflict and subsequent mauling scenario playing out if the activity did not stop.

No VT's or DWPO's were issued s.22

. All issued verbal warnings at this time.

Bylaws issued an eviction notice that they are required to vacate by Oct 27, 2017 with all the belongings they wish to salvage. The rest of the debris will be cleaned up by the city or a contractor after that time.

Will continue to monitor the situation and will respond taking into account removal options according to reliable witness information and further reports in the area.

Please close file at this time.

Time spent 5 hrs.

-----Original Message-----

From: s.15

Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 12:37 PM

To: COS Fraser North Zone ENV:EX

Subject: HWCR 17-21999 Update 2 - BLACK BEAR - SIGHTINGS - MAPLE RIDGE - COQUITLAM

HWCR 17-21999 Update 2 - BLACK BEAR - SIGHTINGS - MAPLE RIDGE - COQUITLAM

You can access the document at the following URL:

[https://wildlife1.embc.gov.bc.ca/ECCLog\\_FY1718/COSIncident.nsf/PWORUpdatesByDate/54D10F68F61E32C9882581BD006B0575?OpenDocument](https://wildlife1.embc.gov.bc.ca/ECCLog_FY1718/COSIncident.nsf/PWORUpdatesByDate/54D10F68F61E32C9882581BD006B0575?OpenDocument)

Human Wildlife Conflict Report #17-21999 Update #2 Complaint Received By: DAWN (Admin ECC) Original Call Received: 2017-10-17 8:03 Update logged at: 2017-10-18 12:28

Area: COQUITLAM - MAPLE RIDGE - SOUTH COAST REGION

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Location: SEE BELOW DESCRIPTION

Location Description: 2920 Barnett Hwy

Caller Name: TROY HENYECZ - S/SGT TRANSIT POLICE Mail / Street Address / City: +, COQUITLAM, BC Postal Code:

Referred By:

CONTACT NUMBERS

Business: s.22

OCCURRENCE INFORMATION

Incident Date Time: 2017-10-17 8:03

Species Involved: BLACK BEAR

Attractants Noted: NOT APPLICABLE

Nature of Complaint: SIGHTINGS

Action Taken: PHONED CO

Details: Requesting contact with S/CO in regards to COS response yesterday.

ACTIONS TAKEN

2017-10-18 12:33:54 briefed S/CO Todd Hunter - patched to COM



# Case Summary

## Details

<b>Case File #:</b>	201710157	<b>Opened Date:</b>	2017-10-26 07:16 AM
<b>Category:</b>	CO SERVICE	<b>Discovery Date:</b>	2017-10-18
<b>Type:</b>	WILDLIFE	<b>Closed Date:</b>	2017-10-26 07:26 AM
<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Admin Org Unit:</b>	FRASER NORTH ZONE
<b>Opened By:</b>	GUERCIO, ANNA	<b>Source:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Lead Investigator:</b>	SYER, SHARLENE	<b>Source Ref #:</b>	HWCR 17-21999
<b>Lead Investigator's Phone:</b>		<b>Other Source Agency:</b>	
<b>Major Case:</b>	No	<b>Transferred to Agency:</b>	
<b>Paper File Created:</b>	No	<b>Other Transferred Agency:</b>	
<b>Electronic Case File:</b>	No	<b>Joint Investigation:</b>	No
<b>Investigation Review Process:</b>	No	<b>Transferred Agency Contact:</b>	
<b>Investigation Review Date:</b>		<b>Lead Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Investigation Start Date:</b>	2017-10-18	<b>Joint Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Joint Agency Contact:</b>		<b>Joint Agency Phone:</b>	
<b>Other Joint Agency:</b>		<b>Joint Agency Case No:</b>	
<b>Case Description:</b>	HWCR 17-21999 UPDATE 2		

## Members:

Name	Phone Number	Start Date	End Date
SYER, SHARLENE		2017-10-26	2027-10-24
GUERCIO, ANNA		2017-10-26	2027-10-24

## Parties Involved:

Name	DOB	Role	Nature of Involvement	Phone No.	Address
HENYECZ, TROY		COMPLAINANT			
s.22		SUSPECT			
		SUSPECT			
		SUSPECT			

## Sites:

Site	Site Type	Description
1. 2-8; FRASER NORTH ZONE		2920 BARNETT HWY - COQUITLAM

## Notes:

Date	Name	Comments
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**Continuation Report:**

Date	Time	Name	Report
2017-10-25	13:10	GUERCIO, ANNA	<p>Attended the Dacre Street, Coquitlam homeless camp. Met with Coquitlam bylaws, Coquitlam RCMP and Transit police. Visited homeless camp south of CP rail yard, behind West Coast skytrain station, west of Lougheed highway in the wooded area believed to be city parks property. Report received to the COS indicated that a habituated bear cub may be lingering in the area as a result of the homeless camp patrons feeding it.</p> <p>Spoke to 3 people residing in the camp who provided the following information:</p> <p>Sus #1 - s.22 s.22 Stated 5-6 bears in the area. s.22 s.22 s.22 and he has not fed it. (at the time of interview, there were many attractants present and a verbal warning followed to immediately clean up the area).</p> <p>Sus #2 - s.22 s.22 . Also said there is a number of bears in the area s.22 s.22 s.22 Education and an immediate order was given to clean up the attractants.</p> <p>Sus #3 - s.22 s.22 He described 5-6 bears in the area and according to the RCMP member at scene, is the individual who is feeding the bear(s). A verbal warning was issued to cease and desist that activity immediately and to clean up the attractants. Education and advice was given and allegedly understood regarding the very real possibility of a wildlife conflict and subsequent mauling scenario playing out if the activity did not stop.</p> <p>No VT's or DWPO's were issued s.22 s.22 . All issued verbal warnings at this time.</p> <p>Bylaws issued an eviction notice that they are required to vacate by Oct 27, 2017 with all the belongings they wish to salvage. The rest of the debris will be cleaned up by the city or a contractor after that time.</p> <p>Will continue to monitor the situation and will respond taking into account removal options according to reliable witness information and further reports in the area.</p>

**Attachments:**

Attach#	Description	Photo	File	Attached By	Attached Date
1	HWCR	No	HWCR 17-21999 UP 2.PDF	GUERCIO, ANNA	2017-10-26

<b>Contravention No.1</b>	<b>WILDLIFE ACT AND REGULATIONS 33.1 (1)(a) : INTENTIONALLY FEED DANGEROUS WILDLIFE</b>
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**Species:**

**Est. Incident Date**

2017-10-18 8:03

**Party:**

s.22

**Site:**

1. 2-8; FRASER NORTH ZONE;  
2920 BARNETT HWY -  
COQUITLAM

**Party Address:**

**Enforcement Actions**

**Enforcement Action No. 1**

**Type:**

UNSOLVED

**Comments:**

SEE NOTES IN ATTACHMENTS AND CONTINUATION REPORT

**Vehicles:**