



Case Summary

Details

Case File #:	202000192	Opened Date:	2020-01-09 03:51 PM
Category:	CO SERVICE	Discovery Date:	2020-01-09
Type:	WILDLIFE	Closed Date:	2020-02-11 02:50 PM
Status:	Closed	Admin Org Unit:	FRASER NORTH ZONE
Opened By:	CAITHNESS, NICOLE	Source:	
Lead Investigator:	CAITHNESS, NICOLE	Source Ref #:	
Lead Investigator's Phone:		Other Source Agency:	
Paper File Created:	No	Transferred to Agency:	
Electronic Case File:	Yes	Other Transferred Agency:	
Investigation Review Process:	No	Joint Investigation:	No
Investigation Review Date:		Transferred Agency Contact:	
Investigation Start Date:	2020-01-09	Lead Agency:	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
Joint Agency Contact:		Joint Agency:	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
Other Joint Agency:		Joint Agency Phone:	
Case Description:	UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF LIVE WILDLIFE	Joint Agency Case No:	

Members:

Name	Phone Number	Start Date	End Date
CAITHNESS, NICOLE		2020-01-09	2030-01-06

Parties Involved:

Name	DOB	Role	Nature of Involvement	Phone No.	Address
ROBSON, MICHAEL s.22	*****	SUBJECT OF COMPLAINT			s.22 ANMORE BC s.22 CAN

Sites:

Site	Site Type	Description
1. 2-8; FRASER NORTH ZONE		RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AT s.22 ANMORE, BC.

Notes:

Date	Name	Comments
2020-02-07	SMITH, MURRAY : 15709	REVIEWED BY INSPECTOR SMITH
2020-01-23	HUNTER, TODD : 126914	FILE REVIEWED. CLOSED AS PER NOTE TO OFFICER.

Continuation Report:

Date	Time	Name	Report
2020-01-17	13:30	CAITHNESS, NICOLE	See officer notes for complete history of occurrence. Direction from Sgt HUNTER on 12-01-2020 that COS will no longer be investigating SOC of this file. File to be concluded and closed.

Attachments:

Attach#	Description	Photo	File	Attached By	Attached Date
1	09-01-2020 CO CAITHNESS OFFICER NOTES	No	09-01-2020 CO CAITHNESS OFFICER NOTES.PDF	CAITHNESS, NICOLE	2020-01-09

Contravention No.1 WILDLIFE ACT AND REGULATIONS 33 (1) : UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF LIVE WILDLIFE**Species:**

Est. Incident Date 2020-01-09 9:00 **Party:** ROBSON, MICHAEL s.22

Site: 1. 2-8; FRASER NORTH ZONE; RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AT s.22 ANMORE, BC. **Party Address:** s.22 ANMORE BC s.22

Enforcement Actions**Enforcement Action No. 1**

Type: UNFOUNDED
Comments:

Vehicles:

[Back to Search](#)[View Outcome](#)**Human Wildlife Conflict Report #19-28987****Area:** ANMORE - MAPLE RIDGE - SOUTH COAST REGION**Call Received:** 2020-01-08 18:56**Received By:** TYLER (Operations 1 ECC)

COM Details

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Caller Name (COM): CORINE ROBSON**Street Address:** s.22
ANMORE, BC**Contact Number(s):**

Primary s.22

Occurrence Information

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Incident Date/Time: 2020-01-08 18:56**Species Involved:** BLACK BEAR**Nature of Complaint:** ORPHANED - LARGE
CARNIVORES/UNGULATES ONLY**Attractants Noted:** NOT APPLICABLE**Action Taken:** EMAILED CO**Occurrence Location**SEE BELOW DESCRIPTION
probably s.22**Details:**

Caller reports an orphaned BB under s.22 back deck. Calling on their behalf s.22. Bear is the size of COM's 4 month old Labrador - Curled in a ball, shaking. Dogs have been barking for several hours, suspect BB arrived then.

Advised COM has called critter care – advised they have space for it and could receive the cub.

Notification History

2020-01-08 19:00 Email to: Fraser North [MAPLE RIDGE] [COS.FraserNorthZone@gov.bc.ca] Sent from SGPEP.ECC1@gov.bc.ca

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Human Wildlife Conflict Report #19-28987

Area: ANMORE - MAPLE RIDGE - SOUTH COAST REGION

Update # 1

Call Recieved: 2020-01-08 18:56
Recieved By: TYLER (Operations 1 ECC)
Update Logged: 2020-01-08 22:01

COM Details

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Caller Name (COM): GLENNA BARRON - ANMORE
TIMES NEWS
Street Address: .
ANMORE, BC

Contact Number(s):
Primary not given

Occurance Information

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Incident Date/Time: 2020-01-08 18:56
Species Involved: BLACK BEAR
Nature of Complaint: ORPHANED - LARGE
CARNIVORES/UNGULATES ONLY
Attractants Noted: NOT APPLICABLE
Action Taken: EMAILED CO

Occurance Location
SAME ADDRESS

Details:

Caller inquiring why COS would not transport an orphaned BB to Critter Care. OO referred to COS Media line.

Notification History

2020-01-08 22:12 Email to: Fraser North [MAPLE RIDGE] [COS.FraserNorthZone@gov.bc.ca] Sent from SGPEP.ECC1@gov.bc.ca

[Edit](#)[Close](#)**Human Wildlife Conflict Report #19-28987**

Area: ANMORE - MAPLE RIDGE - SOUTH COAST REGION
Status: Reviewed [Concluded on: 2020-Jan-09]

Outcome Report

Call Received: 2020-01-08 18:56
Received By: TYLER (Operations 1 ECC)

COM Details [+]

Occurrence Information [+]

Outcome Report

Action Required: Yes
Sergeant Reviewed: Yes

Ref. Report #: 19-28988
Concluded On: 2020-01-09

		Officer(s) Assigned	Time Spent	
Attended:	Yes	1. CO PILE	0.5	Hours
Complainant Contacted:	Yes	2. CO CAITHNESS	7.0	Hours
		3. CO LORD	7.0	Hours
		Total Time Spent (hours):	14.5	Hours

Narrative:

2020-01-08 1916 CO PILE reviewed HWCR and called COM. COM stated BB cub is in her neighbours back yard curled up and sleeping under a patio set. COM said CUB was shivering and likely hungry. COM stated that the neighbours dogs have been barking for a couple hours. CO PILE instructed COM to remove the dogs from the porch area and allow the cub time and space to move along under its own power. CO PILE explained to COM that cubs after Aug 1 are large enough to be on their own, and COS will not take the cub to crittercare following policy and guidelines created by provincial wildlife biologist and provincial wildlife vet. CO PILE told COM to call back if the cub is still on scene tomorrow afternoon and COS will reassess.

Reviewed by Sgt. Hunter. The size and condition was not known at the time. Sgt. Hunter assigned CO Caithness and Lord to follow up in am and provided direction.

2020-01-09 09:43

CO CAITHNESS phones COM, goes straight to VM with no option to leave message because inbox is full. CO CAITHNESS coordinates with CO LORD to bring LBT and cougar live trap from GEPP to Anmore, in case assessment of cub warrants immobilization and transport. CO CAITHNESS leaves message with Provincial Vet Helen SCHWANTJE regarding next steps for cub.

2020-01-09 10:55

CO CAITHNESS arrives on site at s.22 CO CAITHNESS observes an older white male on the driveway of s.22 with a large beige/green Tupperware tote and a bright light green blanket inside of it, in plain view on driveway. CO CAITHNESS approaches male, introduces self as CO, and inquires as to where the black bear cub is. Male states he is the husband of the COM (name: Michael ROBSON) and that the bear cub was under the deck of his uphill neighbour at s.22 CO CAITHNESS inquires as to what Michael meant by "was," and was informed that Michael had already transported the bear cub to Critter Care.

2020-01-09 11:45

CO CAITHNESS is contacted by Helen SCHWANTJE, updated her of the situation. She advised that given the cub is at Critter Care, ensure that it is in fact a cub of the year for 2019, get an ear tag in it, and leave it in care of CC. Advised that COS will monitor the area for calls of a sow and cub. Unable to verify if the bear cub was actually orphaned or was just venturing out of den alone or within it's family unit.

2020-01-09 13:10

CO CAITHNESS and CO LORD attend Critter Care. COS are shown a small, male, 20.6lb black bear cub. Cub is awake and alert in dog kennel. Cub is confined and then pinned by Critter Care staff so that COS can put an ear tag on him. BB tagged in right ear with yellow tag 2-430. Gail MARTIN of Critter Care insistent that COS do not chemically immobilize it because she does not want him immobilized twice (the next immobilization assuming to be done by CC's contracted vet). Due to poor health and elevated stress levels of BB, decision is made not to immobilize, so unable to examine condition of BB's teeth etc. Pictures taken of BB for use in COS investigation.

2020-02-07 17:40 Reviewed by Inspector SMITH

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:	* 2020-01-09
Species Involved:	BLACK BEAR	Inspection #:	Compulsory Inspection Number
How Many Involved:	1		
Sex:	Male		
Age:	Juvenile		
Drug Used:	TELAZOL	Relocation Location	
Weight:		Tag Numbers:	LEFT RIGHT
Amount Used:			
Vial Number:		UTM	
Method:	-- select method --	ZONE EASTING NORTHING	
Drug Induction:			
Provide details (i.e., number of darts used, location of induction, length of recovery, etc.)		Provide relocation location details.	

Complaint Outcome:	Transferred to Rehab	Date:	* 2020-01-09
Species Involved:	BLACK BEAR	Inspection #:	Compulsory Inspection Number
How Many Involved:	1		
Sex:	Male		
Age:	Juvenile		
Drug Used:	-- select drug used --	Relocation Location	
Weight:	20.6	Tag Numbers:	2-430 LEFT RIGHT
Amount Used:			
Vial Number:		UTM	
Method:	-- select method --	ZONE EASTING NORTHING	
Drug Induction:			
No drug used - see above. 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

2020-01-09 09:38 - 2coseyes - New Document: Status: Pending

2020-02-07 17:47 - 2coseyes - Status: Reviewed

07-01-2020

s.22

08-01-2020

s.22

09-01-2020

0900 10-36, cdd & sun +
cloud. Phone calls w Todd
& EAC re: "orphaned" BB
in Annmore.

0943 Phone COM of HWCR
19-28987 - straight to VM,
no option to leave message
10-17 to Surrey w CD
LORD to PIU truck.

1030 10-17 to Annmore, s.22

s.22

Michael Robson

s.22

1055 Arrive at s.22

s.22

Observe older
white male in driveway
of residence, w a black
dog & a large beige/green
tupperware tote & a
bright green blanket.
Approach male, introduce
self as CD, & state
reason for attending is
for the potentially
orphaned BB cub. Inquire
if it is on his property.
Male responds that it



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was at his neighbours place & gestures to next door home uphill, which is s.22

CO CAITHNESS inquires as to "was" & male states he took it to Critter Care earlier this morning. CO CAITHNESS then immediately warns male, telling him he is now under investigation under WLA & anything he says

can be used as evidence.

Male then states he does not wish to

say anything when

CO CAITHNESS asks further questions.

CO CAITHNESS obtains valid BC DL from male.

A news reporter then approaches & male tells her he's "under arrest"

CO CAITHNESS quickly corrects this & states he is under investigation, not arrest.

1102 CO CAITHNESS returns



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to truck, updates SGT
& documents ID. Takes
picture of male closing
tote lid. Update CO
LORD who is enroute
w LBT.

1105 Approaches male, take
pic (close up) of tote
in plain view on driveway.
Again, advises male he
is under inv., NOT arrest
or detention, & again
provides warning. ID
returned prior to this.
Requests timeline &

reason for male's
actions, he does not
wish to speak. CO
CAITHNESS advises COS
will be in touch &
gets males phone #.

1110 Interview w CTV on
site.

1120 Departs site, update
SGT, make notes.

1145 Receive phone call from
Helen SCHWANTJE re:
next steps now that BB
is @ Critter Care.

1150 10-17 to Critter care,
will meet CO LORD there



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1323 NC

1310 CO CAITHNESS & LORD
arrive at Critter Care.
Taken to BB by CC
director Gail MARTIN.
BB is a 20.6lb male,
cub of 2019. Pinned by
staff & ear tag 2-430
inserted to right ear.
Pictures taken.

1323 CO CAITHNESS & CO
LORD take audio recorded
witness statement from
Gail MARTIN & her
senior wildlife technician

Nathan, in her office at
Critter Care. COS learned
that:

- CC was contacted last
night by CORINE ROBSON
advising of orphaned BB
@ s.22 Anmore
- CC advised to contact
BAPP & let COS respond
- CC advised COM that
it was illegal to trap /
move BB
- CC received phone call
@ 0745 on 09-01-2020
advising BB enroute to
CC



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- CC received BB @ 4:09:00hrs on 09-01-20 from Marcy w the Furbearers & COM's husband Michael
- they were driving

s.22

- used a green/grey large tote w a yellow blanket to move BB
- no sign of food, didn't say how they captured BB
- BB processed as per normal intake procedure.

1336 Interview ended. CO CAITHNESS informed Gail that this BB is technically evidence for the file, and if BB does die in care to contact CDS immediately so CDS can attend to seize.

1345 Depart CC- 10-17 to office. Media ledger, COORS & HWOR all created/updated. SAT updated.

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