

[Edit](#)[Close](#)**Human Wildlife Conflict Report #20-31062****Outcome Report**

Area: PORT MOODY - MAPLE RIDGE - SOUTH COAST REGION
Status: **Concluded** [Concluded on: 2020-Feb-27]

Call Received: 2021-02-23 07:30
Received By: COS_SOUTHCOAST (SouthCoast COS)

COM Details

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Caller Name (COM): UNKNOWN
Street Address: no address provided
Contact Number(s):

Occurrence Information

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Incident Date/Time: 2021-02-19 15:30
Species Involved: BLACK BEAR
Nature of Complaint: HUMAN INJURY/DEATH
Attractants Noted: NOT APPLICABLE
Action Taken: PHONED CO
Occurrence Location: SAME ADDRESS
 Rocky Point Port Moody

Details:

Message received from GLOBAL NEWS, John HUA:

I've just been assigned to chase this story about a guy who was pinned down by a bear at Rocky Point Park in Port Moody. I understand that there is no report to BCCOS or the RAPP line, and I'll have to ask the victim if and why that wasn't done (the guy is s.22).

Victim was walking s.22 yesterday on a trail in Rocky Point Park when was followed and then confronted by bear. Sent he s.22 away while the bear pinned him down. He punched it in the nose a few times and it ran off.

Just to get our ducks in a row, do you think a BC Conservation Officer might be willing to comment on a subject like this, also have there been any other recent bear reports in the Rocky Point Area?

Reporter is waiting to speak with victim later today.

Actions Taken

Date	Time	Narrative
2021-02-23	07:32:00 AM	Admin entered for A/Sgt. Stark

Outcome Report

Action Required:	Yes	Ref. Report #:	
Sergeant Reviewed:	No	Concluded On:	2020-02-27
Attended:	Yes	Officer(s) Assigned	Time Spent
Complainant Contacted:	Yes	1. C MILLER	6 Hours
		2.	Hours
		3.	Hours
		Total Time Spent (hours):	6 Hours

Narrative:

2021-02-19 11:17 COS received media request from Global News reporter John HUA requesting comment on possible bear attack at Rocky Point Park in Port Moody. COS had not received any reports of this event.

11:19 CO MILLER phoned HUA who advised that the victim wasn't the one who called, it was a friend of his who thought it should be reported. CO MILLER requested victim name and phone number: s.22 Also got email: s.22 Also obtained friend's name and number: s.22

11:23 CO MILLER phoned victim. No answer, left message requesting call back. CO MILLER sent email to victim requesting call.

11:41 CO MILLER attempted to call victim, no answer.

12:07 CO MILLER phoned victim's friend, s.22 Left message. Received call back a few minutes later. s.22 advised that his friend s.22 phoned him last night and told him he was attacked by a bear at Rocky Point Park on a trail and that he was bruised up and on pain killers. s.22 said he was walking with a hot dog on the trail with his s.22 and the bear came up behind him and pinned him down. s.22 said he punched it in the face and it took off. CO MILLER asked s.22 to call s.22 and get him to phone CO MILLER.

12:18 s.22 phoned CO MILLER advising s.22 is awake now and is ready to answer the phone.

12:19 CO MILLER phoned victim s.22 Victim explained that at Rocky Point Park yesterday around noon or 1:00PM, he was walking with his s.22 and a bear came up behind him and pinned him down and he punched it in the face. He said there were witnesses. Victim said he has scratches on his legs and bruises on his body. CO MILLER advised victim he needed to come take a statement and look at his injuries and show him a map so he can point out exactly where it happened. Victim hesitant to meet. CO MILLER explained importance of determining exactly what happened. Victim said scratches on legs aren't visible and that he has too much body hair to see bruising. CO MILLER obtained victim's address and advised he would be over in 15 minutes. s.22

12:40 CO MILLER attended victim's residence in Port Coquitlam. Met victim outside and took statement. CO MILLER asked victim to point out on map where incident occurred. CO MILLER showed victim overhead view of Rocky Point Park in Port Moody, victim said closer to the water. CO MILLER pointed to Shoreline Trail near the water in Rocky Point Park. Victim said closer to the mountains. CO MILLER pointed across the water along Ioco Rd. Victim said yeah. CO MILLER then pointed to a different spot at the trail beside Inlet Park and said along the trail near the soccer field? Victim said yeah. CO MILLER told him to point to the exact spot on the map. Victim pointed to the center of the soccer field. CO MILLER asked if it was on the soccer field, victim said yeah on the soccer field cause my s.22 like to play soccer. CO MILLER asked if he was wearing the same clothes as yesterday, victim said yes he was wearing the same clothes. No holes or claw marks. CO MILLER asked to see the bruising on his body, victim said there is no bruising, only his hands. Victim's hands did not appear bruised. CO MILLER asked for his s.22 number, victim advised he didn't have it on him. CO MILLER asked him to call him when he has it and he will write it down. Victim pulled out his phone. CO MILLER asked for the number as he probably has it in his phone. Victim provided phone number for his s.22 CO MILLER advised victim that it is very important that everything he is saying is true and accurate because bear's that attack people have to be put down, CO MILLER advised that he would not want to put down a bear that didn't actually attack him. Victim didn't want the bear to be killed but said it happened. CO MILLER asked him one more time where it happened by asking if it happened on the trail beside the soccer field. Victim said yeah. Then he said on the field. Victim also changed story from bear pinning him down, to victim turning around and punching it in the face, back to bear pinning him down. Victim did not attend a hospital after the incident.

13:05 CO MILLER attempted to phone victim's s.22 called failed, message said the number is not accepting calls. CO MILLER tried again, same thing.

13:06 CO MILLER phoned Kurt FREI with the City of Port Moody and asked if they had anything reported to them. Nothing reported to them either, nor any recent sightings. COS has not received even a bear sighting in Port Moody in a month or two.

13:18 CO MILLER phoned Dispatch, s.22 until recently.

13:45 CO MILLER attended Inlet Park soccer field. Searched area for any recent sign of bear activity, nothing found, not even scat. Very busy park. If bear attack occurred, someone would have seen it. CO MILLER phoned the rec center whose office windows face the soccer field. Staff did not see anything yesterday but would have if there was a bear on the field. No cameras facing the field.

14:01 CO MILLER phoned victim's friend s.22 asked about his relationship with victim. Victim was a client of s.22 (insurance), doesn't know him all that well. s.22

14:25 CO MILLER spoke to victim again on phone and asked about s.22 phone number, victim said she can't accept calls and that she can only accept messages. CO MILLER again asked him to confirm the attack location, victim now said it was on the soccer trail. CO MILLER asked victim to have s.22 call him as soon as possible. CO MILLER texted victim's s.22 no reply. No phone call received from s.22

Due to story not adding up and changing several times, injuries not apparent after victim said he had scratches and bruising, no evidence of bear activity in area nor any recent sightings, no witnesses, unlikelihood of bear activity at this time of year, and inability to corroborate story with s.22 it is believed the event did not occur. COS will monitor for any reports, advised City to let COS know if they hear anything more.

Updated Global News.

Concluded as unsubstantiated.

Coordinates of occurrence location, if known:

Zone Easting Northing

Equipment:

Equipment Used Date Set Date Removed

Actions Taken by C.O.

Complaint Outcome:	Other	Date:	* 2021-02-19	
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:	LEFT	RIGHT
Amount Used:				
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.		

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Workflow History

2021-02-27 10:01 -S.15 - New Document: Status: Concluded (Date concluded 2020-02-27 00:00)



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FEB 18 CONT'D
HWCA WRITE UPS.
1930 SET UP TRAIL CAM.
2020 COUGAR SIGHTING.
ATTENDED, DEER ON SITE
IN SPOT COM DESCRIBED.
NO COUGAR SUSPECTED.
2130 STAGED IN BUCKE MTN.
HWCA WRITE UPS.
HWCA SURVEY.
0005 ARRIVE HOME, NOTES.
0030 OFF - 11 HRS.

FEB 19 SHIFT START 0900.
2021 ON DUTY IN UNIFORM.
0940 STAGED IN BUCKE MTN.
0955 s.22 REQUESTED

DISCLOSURE, PHONED AND
ADVISED WILL BE PROVIDED
NEXT WEEK.

1000 HWCA WRITE UPS.
1030 HWCA SURVEY.
1120 EMAILED RE: POSSIBLE
BEAR ATTACK IN PORT
MOODY. OBTAINED VICTIM
INFO, CALLED, LEFT MESSAGE,
SENT EMAIL. CALLED VICTIM'S
FRIEND, HE SAID s.22

s.22 (VICTIM) CALLED LAST
NIGHT SAYING HE
WAS ATTACKED BY A BEAR.
ASKED FRIEND TO CALL
AND HAVE HIM CALL ME.
s.22



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FEB 19 CONT'D

1219 SPOKE TO VICTIM. HE SAID
HE WAS AT ROCKY POINT PARK
YESTERDAY AROUND NOON
AND TURNED AROUND TO
FIND A BEAR BEHIND HIM
WHICH PINNED HIM TO THE
GROUND AND HE PUNCHED
IT IN THE FACE AND
IT LEFT. SAID HIS

s.22

WERE THERE TOO, SAID OTHERS
IN PARK WITNESSED.

SAID HE HAS BRUISES
ON BODY AND SCRATCHES
ON LEGS.

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1240

NOT VICTIM FOR STATEMENT.

NO INJURIES, STORY NOT
ADDING UP. SAYS NOW IT
HAPPENED IN MIDDLE OF
SOCCER FIELD AT INLET PARK
HALL.

s.22

s.22

CONVERSATION. ASKED FOR
NUMBER. CALLED

s.22

HON, NUMBER DOESN'T WORK.
PINNED RAMP.

s.22

s.22

RECENTLY.

1330 ATTEND INLET PARK. NO
SIGN OF RECENT BEAR

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BRITISH
COLUMBIA

FEB 19 CONTO
ACTIVITY. PHONED REC
CENTER, NO CAMERAS,
BUT THEIR OFFICES
FACE THE FIELD, WOULD
HAVE SEEN IT. NO ONE
ELSE WAS REPORTED.

s.22 SAID HE WAS
PINNED DOWN BY BEAR,
BUT NO MARKINGS ON
CLOTHES HE WAS WEARING
AT THE TIME, NO
BRUISING ON BODY, NO
SCRATCHES. STORY CHANGED
FROM TRAIL TO FIELD,
SAID HE STOOD THERE
AND PUNCHED BEAR,

AFTER SAYING HE PUNCHED IT
WHEN IT WAS ON TOP OF
HIM. CALLED s.22 BACK
ASKING FOR TO
CALL HIM, NO ANSWER, LEFT
MESSAGE. TEXTED s.22
ASKED FOR CALL. NO BEAR
SIGHTINGS ANYWHERE IN
PORT MOODY THIS WINTER,
LET ALONE IN MIDDLE
OF BUSY URBAN PARK.
UNSUBSTANTIATED.

1600 OFF - 7 HRS

February 19, 2021 (Fri)

1400 Start Shift 17 Pomo

1503 meet up with Chris.

Exchange equipment
and he fills me in
on the bear information

1555 Spoke to s.22 and
advised of there not
being an attack. They
won't run a story
on it

1620 Write up Sitrep

1635 Do HWC Survey

1814 Move to Cogut Ham incase
sightings come in

1823 Reported cougar sighting.

1849 Cougar photo on trail
camera just came in.

The photo was 10
minutes after reported
sighting. Staying in
the area to see if
there are any other
sightings. Trail cam
is in the forested area
by the creek

2100 Stayed in the area
no further cougar
sightings. 17 back to
Nobelsford

2200 End Shift



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Alicia >

Fri, Feb 19, 11:44 AM

If you can't get ahold of the
com try calling the hospitals to
see if anyone came in

Fri, Feb 19, 1:24 PM

s.22

Going to look for any recent
bear sign at that location.

Still waiting to hear back from
friend

Sounds good

I was thinking I may just sit
there for a bit too just to see if
anyone says anything today!

Easy to respond to cover stuff



AS

Alicia >

Sounds good

I was thinking I may just sit there for a bit too just to see if anyone says anything today! Easy to respond to cougar stuff from there

s.22 [redacted] called me again and said I have to message s.22 [redacted] cause she can't accept calls, so he's going to get her to call me. He now said it happened on the soccer trail.

Very interesting.....

s.22



AS

Alicia >

He now said it happened on the soccer trail.

Very interesting.....

s.22

Oh jeez



s.22

Text Message
Fri, Feb 19, 2:08 PM

s.22

can you call me please, this is Conservation Officer Chris Miller. It is regarding a possible bear attack yesterday that you may have some information about.

s.22

Thanks.



Fraser North Zone >

Port Moody sighting was a bobcat

Alicia Stark



AS

Got victim info for possible bear attack at Rocky point park in Port Moody. Calling now.

Alicia Stark

Thanks Chris!!! Very interesting as we haven't had any bear reports at all

AS

Fri, Feb 19, 2:00 PM

Alicia Stark

1400-2200
Tri-Cities

AS

Fri, Feb 19, 6:49 PM

Alicia Stark