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\$1,000 reward offered in Pitt Meadows poaching incident

The Fur-Bearers urge community to assist investigation

PITT MEADOWS – A \$1,000 reward is being offered by non-profit The Fur-Bearers for information leading to the identification and conviction of the person(s) responsible for poaching a black bear found near Pitt Lake in Pitt Meadows on January 3, 2021.

"Reports indicate that the carcass was found approximately 200 feet from a trail and the front paws of the bear were removed," says Lesley Fox, Executive Director of The Fur-Bearers. "Any acts of poaching are extremely concerning and those responsible must be held accountable. Our hope is that members of the community will come forward to assist the BC Conservation Officer Service with their investigation."

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Report All Poachers and Polluters (RAPP) line at 1-877-952-7277.

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The Fur-Bearers is a charitable, non-partisan organization founded in 1953 to advocate on behalf of fur-bearing animals in the wild and in confinement, as well as providing wildlife coexistence solutions to communities. More about the organization can be found at <u>www.TheFurBearers.com</u>.

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