

## North Bend Police upgrades pursuit vehicles

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The North Bend police department recently upgraded their fleet with two brand-new Dodge Durango Police Pursuit vehicles and have plans to acquire three additional vehicles. North Bend Chief of Police Cal Mitts shared his thoughts on the new vehicles, "These Dodge Durango Pursuits represent a significant upgrade for our department. They offer improved safety features, better visibility for our officers, and the versatility we need to serve North Bend effectively. The fact that we acquired them without impacting our local budget is a win for everyone in our community."

The vehicles bought by the North Bend Police department through funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), are meant to replace the aging older Dodge Chargers, a way to modernize the North Bend fleet of vehicles. The Dodge Durango was chosen because of its list of safety



Courtesy photo  
The brand-new Dodge Durangos will be a safe and cost-efficient change for the department.

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## SpeedAlert trailers introduced to North Bend

The North Bend Police Department is proud to announce the acquisition of two All Traffic Solutions SpeedAlert 24 trailers, equipped with advanced Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) and messaging capabilities. This cutting-edge technology, purchased for \$55,687.39 using federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant dollars, will significantly enhance our traffic monitoring and safety measures, ensuring a safer community for all.

"We are excited to integrate the SpeedAlert 24 trailers with ALPR technology into our traffic safety efforts," Chief of Police Cal Mitts said. "This state-of-the-art equipment will greatly enhance our patrol officers' ability to monitor traffic, gather critical data, and respond to community concerns. It's important for the public to know that these trailers are not intended to issue speeding citations via mail. Instead, they serve as an educational tool to inform drivers of their speed and collect valuable data. This information will help us identify and address problem areas, ultimately making our roads safer for everyone."

Next week, police department staff will undergo training on the new equipment before it is deployed throughout the community. The SpeedAlert 24 trailers are designed to educate drivers on their speed and record essential traffic data, helping to identify problem areas without mailing speeding citations.

### Key Features and Benefits:

- **Advanced Traffic Monitoring:** The SpeedAlert 24 trailers can display the speed of approaching vehicles and show programmable messages to educate drivers.
- **Data Collection:** These trailers will gather data on speed and traffic volume, aiding the department in developing solutions for traffic concerns.
- **ALPR Capabilities:** The ALPR systems will help identify stolen vehicles, locate vehicles associated with Amber Alerts, and find vehicles linked to persons of interest, including those with warrants or suspected of serious crimes.
- **Enhanced Public Safety:** By maximizing limited staffing, this technology will allow for the effective deployment of resources to areas in

need, improving overall public safety.

The purchase of these trailers included a generous 12% discount provided by All Traffic Solutions for acquiring two units. This investment in modern technology underscores our commitment to maintaining a safe and secure community.

### Technical Specifications:

The All Traffic Solutions (ATS) SpeedAlert 24 Radar Message Sign is versatile, durable, and user-friendly, suitable for various applications including:

- **Messaging:** Displays messages based on vehicle speed (e.g., "Slow Down" or "Too Fast!") or for other alerts such as "Flood Warning" or "Amber Alert."
- **Speed Display:** Shows the speed limit and the vehicle's current speed.
- **Speed Dependent Messaging:** Uses radar to control the display based on vehicle speed, enhancing driver awareness.
- **Traffic Data Collection:** Records traffic volume by speed and time of day to help prioritize enforcement efforts.

The SpeedAlert 24 sign can be deployed within minutes and is web-enabled for real-time reporting and data sharing.



Courtesy photos  
The speed displays can be deployed within minutes and can show a driver's speed or alert drivers to a variety of warnings including accidents.

## USMS Pacific Northwest Violent Offender Task Force assists in fugitive investigation

On July 2nd, the U.S. Marshal Service Pacific Northwest Violent Offender Task Force (USMS) provided valuable assistance to USMS-Task Force Officer Deputy J. Lee in a high-priority fugitive investigation. The target of the investigation was Randolph N. Rossback (65), also known as Randy, who was believed to be in Coos County.

On July 3rd, the joint efforts of USMS and TFO-Deputy J. Lee culminated in the successful apprehension of Randy at a residence on Hwy 42, Coos Bay. Randy was wanted on a Failure to Appear (FTA) Warrant for multiple serious offenses, including Delivery of Methamphetamine, Unlawful Possession of Methamphetamine, and Felon in Possession of a Firearm. In addition, Randy was cited for providing False Information to Police.

During the arrest, further suspicions of criminal activity arose, prompting the involvement of SCINT. SCINT was granted and executed a search warrant, leading to the discovery of firearms, including a stolen firearm and suspected methamphetamine in Randy's bedroom.

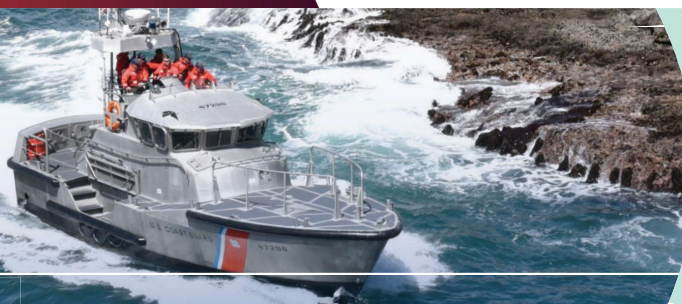
Randy was taken into custody without incident and transported to the Coos County Jail, where he was booked on the outstanding warrant. The successful operation was made possible through the collaborative efforts of federal partners.

Deputy K. Mong, Deputy A. Burgo, Deputy J. Gray, and K9 Sgt. J. Boswell provided crucial assistance to the operation.

As a result of the SCINT investigation, additional charges will be filed against Randy. The coordinated efforts of law enforcement agencies demonstrate their commitment to ensuring the safety and security of our community.

"Police action is not indicative of guilt. All persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law."

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