

# MEDIA RELEASE

## UPDATE – Woman Arrested for Stealing Bait Package

July 21, 2019

On Sunday, July 21, 2019, at 5:55 a.m., one of the bait packages was stolen and deputies began receiving real-time tracking updates. Deputies followed the signal to a house in the 20700 block of SW Rosa Road in Aloha.

Deputies contacted 34-year-old Sheena Watson of Beaverton in the yard. She said she had been out riding her bike but was barefoot. Ms. Watson then pulled out the tracking device and said she found it on the sidewalk, before admitting the rest of the stolen bait package was in the backyard and that she cut it open with scissors.

Deputies arrested Ms. Watson for Mail Theft and Theft in the Second Degree. She was also wanted on a felony warrant from the Oregon State Parole Board for a prior burglary conviction.

Multiple additional decoy packages remain active in Washington County.

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On Tuesday, July 16, 2019, Deputies from the Washington County Sheriff's Office will begin targeting thieves who steal packages delivered to porches across the county.

Working closely with the United States Postal Inspection Service, detectives with the Property Crimes Unit will be setting up a bait package mission in hopes of catching package thieves in the act.

These decoy packages are equipped with electronic tracking devices that allow deputies to track them after they've been stolen.

Detectives use package theft data provided by the U.S. Postal Service to determine which areas have the biggest problems with "porch pirates."

This mission coincides with special deals being offered by many of the country's largest online retailers this week.

Detectives from the Property Crimes Unit work proactively throughout the year to combat the problem of package thefts in our community. For the last four years, detectives have placed numerous bait packages throughout Washington County to deter potential package thieves.

### PROTECT YOUR PACKAGES



Schedule deliveries to arrive when you are home.

Have a trusted neighbor or friend pick up your packages.

Deliver packages to shipping stores or an Amazon Locker.

Install a security camera.



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