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NEW IWC REWARD PROGRAM

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International Wildlife Crimestoppers (IWC) announces a new **Reward Program** to help IWC members fund their own reward program and gain poaching information from the public for serious wildlife violations.

All state and provincial members of IWC can apply to IWC for additional funding, up to \$1,000, for their TIP rewards. All cases eligible for a cash reward shall be major cases (fish or wildlife) consisting of egregious actions.

“IWC is focused on helping our state and provincial members achieve more convictions against violators who have no regard for our wildlife and wildlife conservation laws”, said IWC Executive Director Lewis Rather. “This program is a great way for the public to see the benefits of supporting state and provincial crimestoppers programs as well as IWC”.

The reward is only payable upon successful prosecution. IWC’s reward contribution can be advertised upfront but will not be paid until adjudicated. A member state or province without a reward program may receive upfront funds to get the case moving towards conviction. Rewards will be paid to the member agency as “pass-through” to the tipster if he/she requests anonymity.

IWC members can apply for reward funding by visiting: www.wildlifecrimestoppers.org.

Mission: As a non-profit organization created by wildlife resources officers, we are dedicated in our efforts to stop poaching of North America’s fish and wildlife resources through a comprehensive conservation law enforcement approach and the exchange of information with anti-poaching organizations. We promote public education on the differences between sustainable use and poaching, with a special emphasis on youth education therefore creating a force multiplier for law enforcement charged with protecting these valuable resources.

Protecting our wildlife resources in North America is an ongoing mission for conservation law enforcement officers and International Wildlife Crimestoppers, Inc.

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