UMATILLA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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PRESS RELEASE

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UMATILLA COUNTY SEARCH AND RESCUE LOCATE TWO STRANDED MEN IN THE SNOW

On the evening of May 19, 2025, at approximately 9:15 p.m., our Dispatch center received a call from two individuals reporting they were stranded in snow in the vicinity of Summit Road (USFS Road 31) near Meacham, Oregon and the Union County border.

The two men, identified as Andrew Bergeson, 30, of Seaside, Oregon, and Trevor Lefebvre**,** 28, of Clatskanie, Oregon, had been hunting in the area when their Polaris Razor (UTV) became stuck in snow. Despite their efforts to dig themselves out over a period of 2–3 hours, the pair were unable to free the vehicle.

With temperatures dropping and wind conditions worsening, the men contacted emergency services. They informed dispatchers they were not equipped to spend the night outdoors and were using their UTV for shelter.

Umatilla County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue (UMASAR) was activated and a team responded to search the area. At approximately 2:23 a.m. on May 20, 2025**,** the rescuers successfully located the men. Both individuals were in good condition and were safely returned to their camp.