

## Reward offered in killing of Mt. Hood bear cub

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The Humane Society of the United States is offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for illegally killing a black bear cub in a rural area near Mount Hood. The Oregon State Police is investigating the illegally killing of a black bear cub found shot dead on Tuesday, October 2nd between 3:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on a logging road about nine miles north of Highway 26 off Lolo Pass Road near Mount Hood in Clackamas County. Bear hunting is legal in the area, however, it is illegal to shoot a cub less than a year old within the state of Oregon. "Poaching is not only callous and irresponsible. It's also a serious crime," said Kelly Peterson, The HSUS' Oregon state director. "The Humane Society of the United States applauds the Oregon State Police for taking enforcement of poaching laws seriously. As a community we can help bring wildlife criminals to justice." The illegal killing of wildlife and is punishable by law. In Oregon, all wildlife violations are Class A misdemeanors, punishable by up to a \$6,250 fine and a year in jail. Anyone with information on the case is asked to call the Oregon State Police Northern Command Center dispatch at (800) 452-7888.

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