

SO FAR THIS YEAR



6,608 impaired drivers arrested



17,498 collisions investigated



128 fatality collisions



20,885 seatbelt

violations

24,333 distracted

driving contacts



69,9996 aggressive driver contacts



185,697 excessive speed contacts



35,567 CMV inspections

LEADERSHIP THROUGH EXPERIENCE



Assistant Chief Mjor and Captain Jeff
Otis will host the next Leadership
through Experience podcast live at
11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2025.
This podcast is for all WSP leaders,
both current and future, with a focus
on mentorship. Each podcast provides
our guests the opportunities to talk
about their experiences, both the good
and bad, that helped shape them into
the leaders they are today.

The title of the next episode is
Lessons in Leadership: Cole, Peel,
and Batiste. Our special guest is WSP
Chief John R. Batiste.
For those needing to catch up,
previous episodes of the podcast can

be found here.

AXON RECORDS IS LIVE!

Axon Records has officially gone live! If you have issues or concerns, please refer to the agency's Axon

Technology SharePoint, reach out to an instructor, or call a member of the project team (phone numbers included on the SharePoint).



TRAINING: WSP Rapid Deployment Team (RDT) complete annual in-service

WARRENTON, Ore. - The Washington State Patrol (WSP) Rapid Deployment Team (RDT) held its annual in-service training July 8–11 at Camp Rilea, a coastal training facility located just south of Warrenton, Ore. This year's session marked a resounding success, bringing together 58 troopers, 11 sergeants, and 19 trooper cadets for high-impact, mission-focused instruction designed to enhance tactical skill sets and elevate operational readiness.

Training Highlights

- Troopers participated in certification exercises for the CART and CUT teams, demonstrating proficiency in the use of critical equipment including .40 caliber launchers and pepper ball delivery systems.
- Instructional modules emphasized the safe and effective deployment of throwable munitions and reinforced best practices for coordinated response techniques in civil protest scenarios.
- Scenario-based drills simulated highpressure environments, refining core competencies such as crowd management, civil unrest response, and emergency extraction of injured demonstrators.

Ideal Conditions & Strong Team Support

 Camp Rilea provided a picturesque and well-equipped backdrop for this intensive training, with excellent food and perfect weather contributing to a highly productive week. Feedback from a post-training survey showed overwhelming enthusiasm for the facility, underscoring its value in supporting RDT's mission.

Acknowledgments

Team leadership expresses deep gratitude to MM3 Vio Mihai, Program Specialist 3 Shannon Blevins, and all cadets whose hard work and dedication made this training possible. A special thank you goes to Chief Batiste and Assistant Chief Mjor, who joined the team on-site and engaged in thoughtful dialogue regarding the future direction of the Rapid Deployment Team.









Forks Old Fashioned 4th of July



FORKS, Wash. - Trooper Brandon Johanson #554 and Trooper Reece DePew #1271 participated in the Forks Old Fashioned 4th of July Parade in Forks. Trooper DePew's patrol vehicle received First Place in the "Judge's Choice" category and displayed the 1st place ribbon on his patrol vehicle during the parade.

FEATURE PHOTO: Whitman County



FORKS, Wash. - Sergeant Ryan Senger photographed his SR 195 near Rosalia in Whitman County. It's almost harvest season for our nation's leading wheat producing county and people from around the globe come to take pictures of this iconic barn each summer.



121st TBTC learns property and evidence



SHELTON, Wash. - The cadets in the Washington State Patrol's 121st Trooper Basic Training Class learned how to correctly enter and package evidence. Property and Evidence Custodians hosted the training, providing scenarios and real world examples so they are prepared for the field. The cadets are continuing to work hard toward becoming WSP troopers.



WTSC AWARD: WSP Captain recognized

SPOKANE, Wash. - Washington State Patrol (WSP) Captain Jason Linn received the 2025 Safe Systems Champion Award - an honor presented by the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) at this year's Traffic Safety Summit in Spokane this week.

The award recognizes individuals and teams who embody the Safe System Approach—leading with innovation, collaboration, education, advocacy, and measurable improvements.

Captain Linn was recognized during Wednesday's Awards Luncheon <u>Traffic Safety Summit</u> at the Spokane Convention Center July 15-17. I hope you are planning to join us a the summit, however if you are not able to attend the summit, I will work with you to identify a delegate who can accept the award on your behalf.









Annual Trooper Tony Memorial 5K Run



SHELTON, Wash. - Last week, the Washington State Patrol Athletic Association (WSPAA) hosted its annual Trooper Tony Memorial 5K Run at the Academy. Held each summer in honor of Fallen Trooper Tony Radulescu, the event brought together the WSP community to celebrate his legacy and service. Braving the heat, nearly 200 participants including WSP employees, retirees, and family members came together to pay tribute and show support. For more information about the WSPAA or future events, please contact Association President, Trooper Ian Morhous.











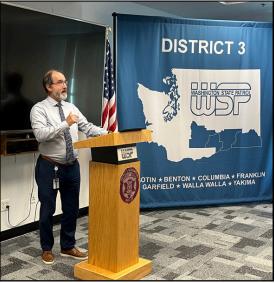
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CLD staff run Ragnar Relay Race



SPOKANE, Wash. - Six members of the Washington State Patrol (WSP) Crime Lab Division competed as part of a team in the Ragnar Relay race over the weekend. The race started in Blaine and ended in Langley on Whidbey Island. The total mileage for the race was 193.5 miles and we finished 3rd in the Public Service category. Participants included: Forensic Scientist 3 Molly Della Pella, Forensic Scientist 4 Beau Baggenstoss, Forensic Scientist 4 Jeremy Phillips, Forensic Scientist 2 Sydney Kughler, Forensic Scientist 3 Jennifer Allen, and Assistant Division Commander Trevor Allen.

ESD attend multi-day conference









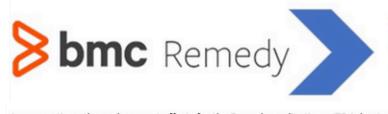


YAKIMA, Wash. - The Electronic Services Division's Engineering Team joined technicians from the Field Support Section for a multi-day conference at the D3 Detachment Office held July 14–16 in Yakima. The event focused on collaboration, planning, and continued learning. Team members shared updates, addressed current challenges, and worked together to outline support for current operations and next steps for upcoming projects.

As part of the meeting, Steve Brown, ESD Division Commander, and Rich Huisingh, ESD Assistant Division Commander, presented Certificates of Appreciation to personnel who supported the statewide distribution of 1,322 APX 8500 mobile radios and 1,388 APX NEXT portable radios. Additionally, Rob Lewis, Senior Telecommunications Specialist for D4, was recognized with a service pin for 35 years of State / WSP service, Jo-Anna Nestegard, Senior Telecommunications Specialist for LMR Admin, was recognized with a service pin for 10 years of State service, and Jonathan Boileau, the Northwest Region Supervisor, received a service pin for five years of State / WSP service.

The meeting underscored the importance of collaboration and continued knowledge-sharing as key drivers of operational success, ensuring Electronic Services Division is providing reliable statewide telecommunications, land mobile radio, and engineering services to the Washington State Patrol (WSP), its partner agencies, and customers.

Legacy Data Warehouse Update







As we continue the replacement efforts for the Remedy applications, ITD is beginning to look at the historical data within these applications. ITD is building a Legacy Data Warehouse (LDW) to house all historical data that is not being moved into new solutions. We are interested in learning your understanding of the LDW, your data in Remedy, where your data is going next, and how you can access that data in the future. Please take a moment to answer this brief survey to better help the project team move forward with building an LDW that meets the agencies needs.

Please take a moment to take our survey to help ensure we address all your needs by clicking the button to the right.

