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District 6 – 2025 Trooper of the Year: Thomas Megargle

Ellensburg - The Washington State Patrol (WSP) is proud to announce the 2025 District 6 Trooper of the Year, Ellensburg Trooper Thomas Megargle. Megargle was nominated as the District 6 Trooper of the Year by Sergeant John Bryant and selected by the District Awards Committee. District 6 serves Okanogan, Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas and Grant Counties.

Trooper Megargle is very active in the Ellensburg community. He represented the Washington State Patrol (WSP) in the annual Touch a Truck event where hundreds of families were able to come to ask questions and physically see what a patrol car looks like inside. Trooper Megargle is very involved in his church and serves as a Lector. He is part of the parish council where he assists with leading once a month. He also attends the Young Family Church Group. If that wasn't enough, he also is a Scout Leader.

At work, he is an informal leader within his detachment. He is a member of the Rapid Deployment Team (RDT), Control Tactics and Weapons (CTW) instructor, Certified Seat Belt Technician, Patrol Tactics instructor, Executive Protection Unit (EPU) trooper for District 6, and a Field Training Officer (FTO).

Trooper Megargle was hired by WSP on August 1, 2016, and commissioned on April 26, 2017.

Trooper Megargle is an exceptional and energetic worker. He comes to work each day with a positive attitude, working hard every day in support of the agency's goals and objectives. Please help us congratulate our 2025 Trooper of the Year, Ellensburg Trooper Thomas Megargle

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