



PRESERVING AND PROTECTING SASKATCHEWAN'S FISHERIES, WILDLIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

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SASKTIP

Creating, maintaining and distributing a reward to encourage the public to provide Saskatchewan conservation officers with information which leads to the discovery and/or prosecution of fisheries, wildlife, forestry, and environmental law violators.

Providing public information on the incidence and detrimental impact of fisheries, wildlife, forestry, environmental law violations.

Working with the public and private agencies to provide funding to promote the province's toll-free Turn-in-Poacher (TIP) line, **1-800-667-7561** or Sasktel cellular **#5555**, and any other program that deters fisheries, wildlife, and environmental crime.

*Congratulations to the RM of Eldon!*



Each year at the SARM convention, a draw is made for a framed print. This print is donated to SaskTip by Ducks Unlimited (Canada). The RM of Eldon accepts the 2016 framed print (left) All RM's which annually donate at least \$100 to SaskTip are eligible to win.

*RM Representative, Garry Taylor, Reeve of the RM of Eldon, is presented with the Ducks Unlimited print by Conservation Officer, Daryl Minter*

***SASKTIP wishes to thank those R.M.'s who are contributing to SASKTIP!***



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[www.sasktip.com](http://www.sasktip.com)



The Ministry of Environment's Resource Protection Trailer, SaskTip display, case posters and paper ads are used to promote the TIP Program and to help educate and raise public awareness about the ongoing battle against poaching and abuse of our natural resources. The themes that are used are violations that are relevant and occur on a regular basis in Saskatchewan. Some of the common abuses are arson, chasing wildlife, poisoning wildlife, waste of game and fish over-limits. In 2016, the trailer has travelled to 15 various events.



### **TURN IN POACHER PROGRAM CALLS**

Year	Wildlife	Fisheries	Environmental	Forestry	Miscellaneous	Total Calls
2011	734	81	114	2	15	946
2012	799	90	78	5	9	981
2013	800	108	113	2	7	1030
2014	855	104	142	0	15	1116
2015	1123	141	248	12	44	1568

### **REWARDS PAID OUT THROUGH SASKTIP**

Year-Ending	2007/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16
Number Paid	4	7	6	13	4	9	4	7	11
Total	\$1600	\$2750	\$8000	\$5450	\$1450	\$3115	\$1050	\$2400	\$3950

### **CRIME OF THE MONTH**

SaskTip Inc. partnered again with the Ministry of Environment's Fish and Wildlife Development Fund (FWDF) to provide funding to enter into a Crimestopper type of program with CTV. These programs were designed for the public to assist Saskatchewan conservation officers in apprehending resource and environmental violators.

SASKTIP canvasses for unsolved cases that conservation officers need the public's help in solving. The cases are reviewed and additional information such as photos, date and location is collected and this information is then formatted into media script. Arrangements are made with CTV Prince Albert for filming.

***The filming consists of SASKTIP spokesperson, Jeanette Krayetski, narrating the unsolved case and it may also include a field re-enactment by volunteers or possibly using photos of the featured crime scene if a suitable field location is not available.***



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## ***2015 CRIME OF THE MONTH ADVERTISED CASES***

<b>January:</b>	Cow and two calf moose shot at night near Gooseberry Lake
<b>February:</b>	Mule deer buck shot and only antlers taken near Swift Current
<b>March:</b>	White-tail doe shot and left to waste near Liberty
<b>April:</b>	Two moose shot and only one head removed near Raymore
<b>May:</b>	Repeat of April
<b>June:</b>	Arson fires started in the forest just North of Prince Albert
<b>July:</b>	Repeat of June
<b>August:</b>	Two bull moose shot and left to waste near Simmie
<b>September:</b>	Regarding possession of exotic snakes
<b>October:</b>	Two moose shot and left to waste near Dana
<b>November:</b>	Repeat of October
<b>December:</b>	Herd of elk shot at; three elk killed near Kipling

## ***HOW CAN INDIVIDUALS HELP?***

Members of the public are relied upon by all law enforcement agencies to be their “eyes and ears”. This is especially true in rural Saskatchewan where there is little traffic at certain times of the year. School bus drivers, equipment operators, landowners, any rural resident recognizes when unfamiliar or suspicious activity might be occurring in their area. Getting information to law enforcement authorities in a timely manner is very important to prevent crimes from occurring or in finding the offenders.

### **The following information is crucial to assist officers in tracking down violators:**

- Date and time of the occurrence
- Exact locations involved
- Colour, make and type of vehicle involved
- Licence plate number if possible (if not, province of registration) or other identifier
- Direction of travel
- Photos or video of vehicles or suspects (smart phones are changing the world we live in)
- As complete a description of the offence or your suspicions as possible

## ***HOW CAN RURAL MUNICIPALITIES HELP?***

People who are committing crimes against the environment or natural resources in rural Saskatchewan are often also committing other crimes. They trespass on private property, cut fences, litter and damage crops and property. In recent years some R.M.'s have assisted conservation officers in curbing the littering problem by having R.M. staff examine litter for identification of the suspects contained within the litter before disposing of it properly. Any evidence gathered through that process is turned over to conservation officers for follow up. This team effort is resulting in a reduction of litter abandoned in some areas of the province.

R.M. staff working in the field can also assist by recording and reporting unusual or suspicious vehicles they encounter during their regular work. By keeping constant vigilance all crimes within a rural municipality can be reduced. Conservation officers can attend meetings to assist in understanding the types of criminal activity occurring.

**The SASKTIP Program continues to expand. Ongoing support from the public and the partners who form the Board of Directors are crucial to the continued success of the program.**

**Donations can be sent to:**

**SASKTIP INC,  
PO BOX 114  
MEATH PARK, SK  
S0J 1T0**

**Or made by phoning:  
306-953-2945**

**You can also support SASKTIP by asking your local conservation officer about becoming a SASKTIP member for a \$10.00 fee. Members and corporate donors will receive an annual newsletter highlighting SASKTIP successes in the detection of resource and environmental violations.**



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or #5555 from SASKTEL CELLULAR**

### **SASKTIP CONNECTION**

This is the second year that SaskTip has been engaged in social media. TIPS are being received online and numerous investigations have been initiated as a result of Facebook.

In 2015, Facebook had 568 likes and in 2016 2,115 likes. There were 85 followers on Twitter in 2015 and increased to 152 followers in 2016. There are 71 subscribers (995,011 total channel views on YouTube). Ads are available for viewing at <https://www.youtube.com/user/SaskTip>



**Report a  
Violation  
On-Line**

Anyone witnessing resource or environmental violations will now be able to report them confidentially online to the TIP Program at

[www.saskatchewan.ca/TIP](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/TIP)  
or through [www.sasktip.com](http://www.sasktip.com)

### **Cash Rewards of up to \$2000**

*A cash reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest or conviction of the individuals involved. Anyone with information about this crime should contact the provincial toll free TIP line. Calls are not traced or recorded in any way and callers may choose to remain anonymous.*

On Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Pierceland Conservation Officers received a call of multiple moose that had been shot on private land and out of season. The land location is NE-15-61-25-W3, located 10 miles south of Pierceland on Highway 21. Conservation Officers investigated and found 5 moose gut piles. It is believed the offences took place between the morning of October 5<sup>th</sup> and morning of October 7<sup>th</sup>. Information received was that a newer grey Ford F150 was seen in the area.



**The public's help is needed to solve this case. If you've seen any suspicious activity or vehicles please call the TIP line at 1-800-667-7561 or on SaskTel cellular #5555 or submit your tip anonymously on-line at [www.saskatchewan.ca/TIP](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/TIP). Those who report violations may be eligible for cash rewards through the SaskTip Reward Program. Your name will be kept confidential.**

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