
LANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
NEWS RELEASE



CASE NUMBER: 2011-8639

DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT: 11/23/2011 at 2:35PM

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NATURE OF STORY: Lost Subjects Located and Rescued

LOCATION: Near Herman Peak, Coast Range Mountains

DETAILS:

Involved: Grover, Billy L. - 65 years old
89510 Highway 101
Florence, OR

Lehn, Brandon 17 years old
Grants Pass, OR

The Lane County Sheriff's Office received a call on November 23, 2011 at 2:30PM that Grover and his grandson Lehn were missing and presumed lost while hunting in the remote coast range north of Florence and south of Herman Peak. The third member of the hunting party, Lehn's brother had last seen the two at around 8:00AM that morning while hunting with them and had initiated the call for help.

Deputies and search and rescue volunteers responded to the area and searched until around midnight but were unable to locate the pair. Numerous family members, who had also responded to the area, assisted the Sheriff's Office and were able to establish voice contact with the 2 in the early hours of the morning. An additional 11 trained ground search personnel responded to the area prior to daylight and were able to gain access to the 2 who had spent the night in dense vegetation. Both were moderately hypothermic. They were treated on site and assisted out by both SAR and family members and were reunited with around 25 family and friends at around 2:00PM on Thursday.

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