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SEARCH FOR QUEBEC MAN - RENALD POULIN

Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and
Wildlife Maine Warden Service

--For Immediate Release--

SEARCH FOR RENALD POULIN – December 13, 2013: Today, the Maine Warden Service organized another day of searching for Renald Poulin from Quebec. Today's efforts turned up no clues that can be attributed to Poulin's location. The search will be suspended until temperatures rise and the snow has melted. Snow has hampered the search for Renald Poulin since game wardens began looking for him Saturday, November 30th.



The Ice on Umbazooksus Lake and nearby small bogs and wet areas has made detection of Mr. Poulin especially difficult. Weather conditions will need to improve significantly before further searching can occur. Search teams were out all day conducting a combination of grid, hasty, and K9 team searches. Temperatures remained around 10 degrees (F) and snow fell during the morning hours. Searchers covered new areas and some previously searched areas were covered again.

Twenty-two game wardens, 18 members of the Maine Association of Search and Rescue (MASAR), four Maine Forest Rangers, and members of the Civil Air Patrol assisted with today's effort. Search teams associated with MASAR* included Lincoln SAR, Lincoln County SAR, Wilderness SAR, Waldo County SAR, Franklin County SAR, and the Maine Search and Rescue Dogs (MESARD).

Game wardens are asking those who may have seen Renald Poulin's vehicle parked at the Umbazooksus Dam between the days of Tuesday, November 26th and Saturday, November 30th to please call the Public Safety Dispatch Center in Houlton at 1-800-924-2261.

SEARCH HISTORY: While searching for two Millinocket men in an unrelated search, game wardens located a vehicle owned by Renald Poulin from Saint Côme, Quebec for whom authorities from Canada had also been searching. Renald Poulin, age 67 from Quebec, crossed into the U.S. on Tuesday, November 26th and was to return November 27th. On Saturday, November 30th, game wardens located his green 2002 Kia Sedona parked near Umbazooksus

Dam.

Photographs courtesy of the Maine Warden Service: Photos of the Maine Warden Service Mobile Command Vehicle (MCV). SEE MORE PHOTOS ON THE IF&W FACEBOOK PAGE.

*The Maine Association for Search and Rescue (MASAR) is a non-profit organization that promotes and develops search and rescue resources for the state of Maine. MASAR provides training and certification for search and rescue volunteers using nationally-recognized standards. See mainesearchandrescue.org for more information.

No further information is available at this time.

Please direct media related calls to Corporal John MacDonald by calling: Public Safety Dispatch in Gray at 207-657-3030 Email at: john.macdonald@maine.gov

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