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Man Fatally Shoots Himself in Hunting Accident

October 21, 2017 – A man accidentally shot and killed himself while duck hunting. The man was trying to pull his shotgun toward himself and mistakenly fired the gun, hitting himself in the under arm.

On Friday, October 20, 2017, at 5:54 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a report of a shooting in the 19200 block of SW Cipole Road in Sherwood. It was reported that two males were duck hunting when one of the males inadvertently shot himself.

Sheriff's deputies, along with officers from the Tualatin, Sherwood, and King City Police departments, responded to the scene. During the investigation, deputies learned that 26-year-old Creed V. Brattain IV, of Hubbard, unintentionally fired his shotgun while attempting to pull it up a small hill.



Deputies, officers, and Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue (TVF&R) rendered aid in an attempt to save Mr. Brattain's life, but he was pronounced deceased at the scene. A thorough investigation by deputies and the medical examiner confirmed this to be a tragic accident. Mr. Brattain's hunting partner remained on scene and cooperated with investigators.

Mr. Brattain's family has been notified of his death.