MEDIA RELEASE

Trailer Filled with Telescopes Stolen from Rural Property

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On Thursday, March 11, 2021, at approximately 12:45 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a theft call on a rural property near SW Bald Peak Road and SW Laurelwood Road in unincorporated Washington County. The property owner reported a trailer he was storing had been stolen sometime during the night or possibly the night before.

The trailer contained two valuable telescopes, including a custom-made telescope the owner had been working on for several decades. This 14-foot long telescope is valued at \$15,000. The second telescope is a vintage Unitron valued at \$1,500.

The trailer is a 1997 Wells Cargo enclosed trailer with a ramp door. The trailer is 16-feet long and forest green in color with an aerodynamic bubble on the front. There are multiple "Oregon Star Party" stickers on the ramp door. It has Oregon plates U227280.

If anyone knows the location of this trailer, or either of the telescopes that were inside, please contact non-emergency dispatch at 503-629-0111. (Case #50-21-3408)



