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**MONO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
PRESS RELEASE**

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**To:** All News Outlets  
**From:** Jennifer Hansen, Public Information Officer  
**Date:** April 22, 2013  
**RE:** Fishing and Boating Season is upon us

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It is that time of year! Fishing season is upon the Eastern Sierra with opening day set for Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. With the large number of fishing enthusiasts anticipated to be on the waterways of Mono County, the Mono County Sheriff's Department would like to remind boaters, float tubers, etc. to think safety first while enjoying their fishing activities.

The Mono County Sheriff's Department continues to operate our Boating Law Enforcement Program under grant funding from the State of California and the Department of Boating and Waterways. The department operates patrol boats across all the major waterways throughout the county, and will be enforcing boating laws and ensuring everyone's safety throughout opening weekend. Please remember to use caution and common sense when operating any type of watercraft for your safety and for the safety of those around you.

Also, as a reminder to visitors and residents alike, always be prepared for changing weather conditions along with hazardous conditions on some of our lakes. Even though our winter is not what most would've called heavy, some lakes are softening up due to the recent warm weather. Be aware and use caution around any lakes that still may be covered with ice as they may be dangerous to walk on. Anytime you are experiencing our beautiful county, make sure someone knows where you are headed and be prepared for rain, snow, freezing temperatures, or that perfect blue bird sunny day.

Enjoy yourself this opening weekend and good luck catching the "Big One!"

*Written and prepared by Jennifer Hansen, Public Information Officer*

*The law requires that arrest information be made available to the public. This publication may contain suspect information about individuals booked by the Mono County Sheriff's Department recently. Names of juveniles (under 18 years of age) are not public. Suspect information and ongoing investigation details are also withheld. Since most cases have yet to be adjudicated, all charges should be considered allegations. For questions/concerns regarding any information contained in this publication, contact Undersheriff Robert Weber at (760) 932-7549.*