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Suspect Arrested on 4 Counts of Attempted Rape of a Child

Tacoma, Wash. – On June 5, 2022, at 11 a.m., officers were called to the 2300 block of S. Washington for a possible child predator. Decoys from two organizations dedicated to intercepting child predators before they victimize children, Predator Poachers and Women Against Predators, had been texting and talking with an adult male since April, 2022. The decoys advised that the suspect believed he was communicating with four girls ages 11 to 13. The suspect had then arranged to meet them at the location.

The suspect was a registered sex offender out of Adams County, Washington.

Detectives developed probable cause for the male's arrest on one count of Attempted Rape of a Child 1, three counts of Attempted Rape of a Child 2, and four counts of Communications with a Minor for Immoral Purposes.

On June 14, 2022, the Pierce County Superior Court issued a warrant for the suspect's arrest for the listed charges.

On June 15, 2022, the 79-year-old male suspect was arrested in Adams County.

The suspect will be transported to the Pierce County Jail and booked on the warrant.

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