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Third break-in at Aberdeen PAWS, dogs stolen

For the third time in two months, someone has broken into the PAWS of Grays Harbor in Aberdeen and made off with two dogs.

Director Val West said an intruder again smashed out a window around midnight Thursday morning and took two dogs without apparently taking any other property from the animal shelter on the 800 block of First Street.

"They didn't seem to touch anything else," she said.

West said the intruder took a gray Lhasa Apso mix and a black Chihuahua, both small dogs. Small dogs were also taken during two break-ins in early November. A couple of those dogs were later found wandering the street.

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Area lawmakers oppose Wild Olympics

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State lawmakers in the 19th and 24th legislative districts all oppose the Wild Olympics plan — a couple with some reservations.

"This is ridiculous. They are destroying roads up there and not even leaving us trails," said Rep. Brian Blake, who said he was "strongly opposed" to the plan that has the backing of U.S. Sen. Patty Murray and Congressman Norm Dicks.

Blake, D-Aberdeen, has been on the frontlines in a coalition of timber interests to oppose the plan.

Rep. Kevin Van De Wege, D-Sequim, said he believes the plan "is going to happen" despite local and state opposition, and reminded the audience that it was a federal, not a state proposal. He and Rep. Steve Tharinger, D-Sequim, advocated negotiating over the plan to try to get allowances for more fiber and timber harvest from other areas within the National Forest.

"If I were you, I would be saying 'no' but maybe a soft 'yes' if we could get more timber harvest on federal lands," Van De Wege said to the question by Dan Boeholt, spokesman for Working Wild Olympics, a group formed in

opposition to the plan.

"It's an important issue, obviously, to the communities here and on the (Olympic) Peninsula," Tharinger said, signaling that he was opposing the plan.

As a Clallam County commissioner, Tharinger had previously signed a letter in support of the plan.

Rep. Dean Takko, D-Longview, said he, too, opposed the Wild Olympics plan because of the economic impact it could have.

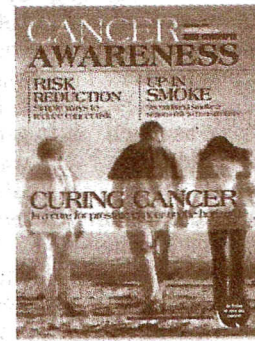
"I have always been a supporter of the timber, logging and paper industry, and I think it would have a long-term detrimental effect," Takko said.

Also opposing the measure were both Sen. Brian Hatfield, D-Raymond, and Sen. Jim Hargrove, D-Hoquiam for many of the same reasons.

"For me, the bottom line is jobs and our jobs on the Harbor come from timber," said Hargrove, who works in the timber industry.

On Thursday, Blake led some Democrats — including Takko and Hatfield — to a meeting of the Grays Harbor Democrats in hopes of getting the Democrats to approve a resolution opposing the Wild Olympics proposal. The issue was tabled until next month's meeting because it was not on the agenda.

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