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Up to

\$20,000 REWARD

**for information on the boater who drove
through resting sea lions in the Columbia
River near Hayden Island April 3.**



The NOAA Fisheries Office of Law Enforcement is seeking information about the April 3, 2023 incident when a boater drove an aluminum-hulled vessel through resting California sea lions on the Columbia River near Hayden Island, Oregon.

Sea lions and other

marine mammals are protected by the Marine Mammal Protection Act, which carries civil penalties of up to \$34,457 per count, a year in prison, criminal fines, and forfeiture of any vessel involved.

A reward of up to **\$20,000** may be paid if you provide information about a violation that leads to the issuance of a civil penalty or criminal conviction.

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