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Department of Corrections & Monroe Police Department Searching for Minimum Security Incarcerated Individual Escaped from Monroe Correctional Complex

MONROE – A minimum security incarcerated individual has escaped from the Minimum Security Unit at the Monroe Correctional Complex in Monroe, Washington. The individual, 59-year-old Patrick Lester Clay (DOC 908566) appears to have escaped by breaking into a staff office during routine maintenance cleaning and stealing the keys to the staff members car which Clay then drove off grounds.

DOC search teams and local law enforcement are actively searching for Clay.

Clay was last seen in a white 4 door GMC Sierra truck, plate number C39525X. Clay was last seen wearing khaki pants, khaki jacket and khaki beanie with white tennis shoes and a yellow DOC vest on; however, there was a blue grey zip up sweatshirt and black ballcap in the vehicle which he may be wearing now.

Clay had a release date of December 24, 2025, for convictions from King County for counts of burglary, malicious mischief, harassment and theft.

If you see this vehicle or Patrick Clay do not approach, please call 911 or Monroe Correctional Complex at 360-794-2720.

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