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## **Sex Offender Level III Notification**

Date: 03/14/19

The Lewis County Sheriff's Office is releasing the following information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550, which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public when the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of a sex offense that requires registration with the Sheriff's Office. Further, their previous history places them in a classification level that reflects the potential to re-offend. The individual served the sentence imposed by the court and has properly notified the Sheriff's Office of their current address. The law does not require this offender to do anything other than register. THEY ARE NOT WANTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AT THIS TIME. THIS NOTIFICATION IS NOT INTENDED TO INCREASE FEAR; RATHER, IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT AN INFORMED PUBLIC IS A SAFER PUBLIC. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Detective Jamey McGinty or Special Services Chief Dusty Breen at 360-748-9286. Check online at http://www.sheriffalerts.com.



Name: Micheal Edward Caton Address: FAIL TO VERIFY

**Age: 35** 

Height: 5'7" Weight: 160 Hair: Brown Eyes:

Blue

Sex: Male Race: White

Synopsis of Information: In 2001 Caton was convicted in Lewis County Superior Court of Rape of a Child 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree for the sexual assault of an 11-year-old female that was not related to him. At the time of the offense Caton was 17-years-old. The crime involved Caton meeting the victim near her residence, walking with her to a remote area, and then sexually assaulting her. As a result of the conviction he was sentenced to 366 days in prison and was released on 07/20/02. Since his original release from prison, Caton has several

convictions for Failure to Register as a Sex Offender. Because of his continuing criminal activity, he poses a clear risk to the community and this notification is required.

Using this public information to threaten, intimidate or harass sex offenders will not be tolerated by the law enforcement agencies of Lewis County. This abuse could potentially terminate our ability to release this important information to the public.