



## News Release

April 2, 2009

Washington County Sheriff Tim Helder announced dogs and weapons seized and one arrest made in southeast Washington County.

On Wednesday, April 1, 2009, Washington County deputies executed a search warrant at 21376 Rothrock Road in rural Washington County due to an animal welfare investigation. During the search of the residence and property, ten (10) guns and nineteen (19) dogs were seized. Seventeen of the dogs were in immediate danger of starvation. The dogs were taken to the Fayetteville Animal Shelter.

The owner, Wesley **CATHCART**, W/M, 37 was arrested for **POSSESSION of FIREARMS by CERTAIN PERSONS**. He was also cited for seventeen (17) counts of **ANIMAL CRUELTY**.

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