

Officer Jason Czebotar
Detachment 9

Officer Jason Czebotar always knew he was destined to help people and animals. He was an eagle scout and enlisted in the military at 17, so at 34, when he heard about the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), he knew it was the perfect match.

Officer Czebotar acknowledges that all types of law enforcement are dangerous but believes fish and wildlife officers face additional risks. He often patrols alone in remote areas filled with armed criminals and unpredictable animals, but Officer Czebotar finds his job rewarding because he can uphold the law while he can protect the wildlife and people who call it home. He views the WDFW as the last line of defense for Washington's pristine nature and wildlife.