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**BRYON LLOYD AKINS SENTENCED TO 50 YEARS IN PRISON IN SEX ABUSE
CASE**

HILLSBORO, Ore.- On April 5, 2019, a Washington County jury found Bryon Lloyd Akins guilty of 14 counts of sexual abuse. He was sentenced to 50 years in prison by Judge Eric Butterfield. Senior Deputy District Attorney Megan Johnson prosecuted the case against Akins.

Washington County Sheriff's Detective Robert Rookhuyzen began investigating Akins in August of 2018 after the sheriff's office received a report of possible abuse involving two young girls known to Akins. With assistance from experts at CARES Northwest, investigators determined the abuse happened multiple times over the span of at least two years.

Akins denied the allegations of abuse but was found guilty after a three-day jury trial.

We would like to acknowledge the work of the Washington County Sheriff's Office, including Detective Rookhuyzen, on this case. We would also like to thank CARES Northwest for their assistance.

Akins has been transferred to the Oregon Department of Corrections to serve his sentence.