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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Scam Season is Here**

Rock Springs, WY—Rock Springs Police Department reminds citizens to be aware that scam season is in full swing.

RSPD has seen an increase in calls regarding circulating scams. It is common to see this increase as we get closer to tax filing deadlines, but you can prevent losing money through awareness. This is the best way to prevent becoming a victim.

Although RSPD responds to a variety of scam reports, the most common has been the IRS scams. These scams involve an individual or group falsely claiming to be with the IRS in order to obtain personal information or money.

RSPD does not want to see anyone fall victim to these scams that are out to take your identity and money. If you receive a call from someone claiming to be with the IRS, hang up and contact them directly at 1-800-366-4484 to determine if the caller is an IRS employee with a legitimate need to contact you.

Today, the IRS released the list of the “dirty dozen” tax scams of this year. Familiarize yourself with the common scams to prevent becoming a victim.

<https://www.irs.gov/uac/newsroom/irs-summarizes-dirty-dozen-list-of-tax-scams-for-2017>

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