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DEPUTY SUSTAINS INJURY WHILE TRYING TO CAPTURE ALLIGATOR

On June 17, 2019, deputies of the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office were assisting the St. Charles Parish Nuisance Animal Officer in capturing an approximate 5 foot long alligator that had wandered into the rear yard of a residence located in the 100 block of Evergreen Court in Luling, Louisiana.

After using an animal catch pole to hold the alligator, a deputy attempted to tape the alligator so it could be safely relocated to the wild. As the deputy attempted to secure the alligator, the alligator pulled free from the deputy and bit him on his right arm. A second deputy was able to hold the alligator preventing it from causing further injuries, as the alligator's mouth was pried open to release the injured deputy's arm.

The injured deputy sustained deep lacerations and punctures to his right arm, and was immediately taken to University Medical Center where he was treated and released. He is expected to make a full recovery.