

# PACIFIC NORTHWEST BIGFOOT

Three encounters  
in the forests &  
mountains of  
Washington  
& Oregon!



1  
00:00:05,860 --> 00:00:04,590  
[Music]

2  
00:00:10,540 --> 00:00:05,870  
[Applause]

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00:00:12,890 --> 00:00:10,550  
[Music]

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00:00:17,750 --> 00:00:12,900  
[Applause]

5  
00:00:21,910 --> 00:00:19,670  
welcome to the best of first person

6  
00:00:24,790 --> 00:00:21,920  
episodes of phantoms and monsters

7  
00:00:28,830 --> 00:00:24,800  
please like subscribe and hit the bell

8  
00:00:32,069 --> 00:00:28,840  
icon so you'll be notified of all future

9  
00:00:36,790 --> 00:00:34,709  
sasquatch in the u.s government my

10  
00:00:38,389 --> 00:00:36,800  
father worked for weyerhaeuser company

11  
00:00:41,350 --> 00:00:38,399  
at green mountain washington

12  
00:00:43,510 --> 00:00:41,360  
east of vancouver the site has security

13  
00:00:45,750 --> 00:00:43,520

on their roads to check on the equipment

14

00:00:48,470 --> 00:00:45,760

and check closed areas to keep people

15

00:00:50,150 --> 00:00:48,480

out my father was working the day mount

16

00:00:52,470 --> 00:00:50,160

saint helens blew up

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00:00:54,229 --> 00:00:52,480

he was at a meeting in kelso washington

18

00:00:56,790 --> 00:00:54,239

and as he was a supervisor

19

00:00:58,150 --> 00:00:56,800

when saint helens blew its side out all

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00:01:00,069 --> 00:00:58,160

heck cut loose

21

00:01:01,270 --> 00:01:00,079

my father was sent back to green

22

00:01:03,189 --> 00:01:01,280

mountain right away

23

00:01:05,670 --> 00:01:03,199

but like most he wasn't allowed to go

24

00:01:06,950 --> 00:01:05,680

very far because of the mudslide coming

25

00:01:09,030 --> 00:01:06,960

down the river

26  
00:01:11,750 --> 00:01:09,040  
he did get to the town of towdle on

27  
00:01:13,750 --> 00:01:11,760  
highway 504 off i-5

28  
00:01:15,429 --> 00:01:13,760  
he and his crew were placed at different

29  
00:01:17,749 --> 00:01:15,439  
spots to watch mud flow

30  
00:01:18,550 --> 00:01:17,759  
and of course help people get out of the

31  
00:01:21,030 --> 00:01:18,560  
blast zone

32  
00:01:23,270 --> 00:01:21,040  
after the major blow up he was sent to

33  
00:01:23,990 --> 00:01:23,280  
the area of spirit lake to keep people

34  
00:01:25,910 --> 00:01:24,000  
out

35  
00:01:28,149 --> 00:01:25,920  
when the second major blow up of the

36  
00:01:29,590 --> 00:01:28,159  
mountain came my father and the other

37  
00:01:31,910 --> 00:01:29,600  
guy with him reported him

38  
00:01:33,749 --> 00:01:31,920

and they got out of there he was then

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00:01:35,109 --> 00:01:33,759

placed in charge of the helicopter

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00:01:37,350 --> 00:01:35,119

landing zone

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00:01:38,550 --> 00:01:37,360

it was his job to help keep people out

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00:01:40,870 --> 00:01:38,560

of the landing zone

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00:01:41,990 --> 00:01:40,880

and let aid cruise in so they could care

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00:01:44,389 --> 00:01:42,000

for injured

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00:01:45,270 --> 00:01:44,399

later when all the people were out and

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00:01:47,109 --> 00:01:45,280

bodies out

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00:01:49,670 --> 00:01:47,119

the national guard was brought in to

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00:01:51,350 --> 00:01:49,680

clean up they hauled dead animals out

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00:01:54,389 --> 00:01:51,360

that they placed in piles

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00:01:56,069 --> 00:01:54,399

deer in one elk and another and so on

51  
00:01:59,109 --> 00:01:56,079  
they were covered up with tarps and

52  
00:02:01,030 --> 00:01:59,119  
later burned but my father was placed in

53  
00:02:01,590 --> 00:02:01,040  
charge of one pile of dead that were

54  
00:02:04,310 --> 00:02:01,600  
covered

55  
00:02:04,789 --> 00:02:04,320  
and no one was allowed to go near armed

56  
00:02:06,870 --> 00:02:04,799  
u.s

57  
00:02:09,109 --> 00:02:06,880  
national guard personal were around this

58  
00:02:10,790 --> 00:02:09,119  
pile and one day when they were going to

59  
00:02:13,270 --> 00:02:10,800  
move this group of bodies

60  
00:02:15,589 --> 00:02:13,280  
and my father was very close to it and

61  
00:02:17,589 --> 00:02:15,599  
was told to keep his mouth closed

62  
00:02:19,990 --> 00:02:17,599  
and when the tarps were removed he saw

63  
00:02:20,710 --> 00:02:20,000

the creatures some badly burned and some

64

00:02:22,710 --> 00:02:20,720

not

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00:02:24,869 --> 00:02:22,720

they placed him in a net and lifted them

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00:02:26,869 --> 00:02:24,879

into a truck and covered it over

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00:02:29,110 --> 00:02:26,879

my father asked a guardsman what will

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00:02:29,830 --> 00:02:29,120

they do with them and he said study them

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00:02:32,309 --> 00:02:29,840

or whatever

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00:02:33,830 --> 00:02:32,319

he didn't want to know he said it's like

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00:02:36,470 --> 00:02:33,840

other things you don't ask

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00:02:37,750 --> 00:02:36,480

and off they went and no one knows what

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00:02:39,910 --> 00:02:37,760

happened to them

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00:02:47,270 --> 00:02:39,920

my father and the rest were debriefed

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00:02:50,390 --> 00:02:49,750

saswich joined base loose and cordon

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00:02:52,550 --> 00:02:50,400

alert

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00:02:54,470 --> 00:02:52,560

i just saw your request for information

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00:02:55,509 --> 00:02:54,480

on bigfoot encounters near military

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00:02:57,670 --> 00:02:55,519

facilities

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00:02:59,910 --> 00:02:57,680

in 2011 i was working at the lewis

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00:03:01,350 --> 00:02:59,920

mccord military base located south of

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00:03:03,110 --> 00:03:01,360

tacoma washington

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00:03:05,509 --> 00:03:03,120

i was employed at public works and

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00:03:07,589 --> 00:03:05,519

assigned to the environmental department

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00:03:09,589 --> 00:03:07,599

i was part of a group conducting a study

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00:03:11,350 --> 00:03:09,599

in the southern section of the base

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00:03:12,790 --> 00:03:11,360

there were several soldiers attached to

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00:03:14,550 --> 00:03:12,800

the group for security

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00:03:16,149 --> 00:03:14,560

we had been out in the field all day and

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00:03:16,869 --> 00:03:16,159

were getting ready to head back to the

91

00:03:19,350 --> 00:03:16,879

lab

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00:03:21,110 --> 00:03:19,360

about 5 30 pm we heard a distress call

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00:03:22,869 --> 00:03:21,120

on the radio from one of the security

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00:03:23,589 --> 00:03:22,879

attachments located north of our

95

00:03:25,430 --> 00:03:23,599

location

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00:03:27,750 --> 00:03:25,440

then we heard gunshots coming from the

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00:03:29,589 --> 00:03:27,760

same direction the best i can describe

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00:03:30,309 --> 00:03:29,599

the situation is that all hull broke

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00:03:32,070 --> 00:03:30,319

loose

100

00:03:34,229 --> 00:03:32,080

the civilians were hustled out of the

101  
00:03:36,070 --> 00:03:34,239  
area immediately when we arrived at the

102  
00:03:37,830 --> 00:03:36,080  
lab we were told by command that our

103  
00:03:38,949 --> 00:03:37,840  
department would be non-active until

104  
00:03:40,949 --> 00:03:38,959  
further notice

105  
00:03:42,949 --> 00:03:40,959  
the next day i received a phone call at

106  
00:03:44,470 --> 00:03:42,959  
home from a lady i worked with

107  
00:03:46,470 --> 00:03:44,480  
she was wondering if i had heard

108  
00:03:48,470 --> 00:03:46,480  
anything i told her that no one

109  
00:03:50,070 --> 00:03:48,480  
contacted me but i was having dinner

110  
00:03:50,869 --> 00:03:50,080  
later with friends who worked on the

111  
00:03:52,869 --> 00:03:50,879  
base

112  
00:03:54,869 --> 00:03:52,879  
she seemed very concerned because no one

113  
00:03:56,869 --> 00:03:54,879

was answering calls to base

114

00:03:58,390 --> 00:03:56,879

that evening i got together with friends

115

00:04:00,070 --> 00:03:58,400

who worked in other public works

116

00:04:01,910 --> 00:04:00,080

departments at the base

117

00:04:03,670 --> 00:04:01,920

at that time there was no official

118

00:04:05,589 --> 00:04:03,680

information available but there were a

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00:04:07,429 --> 00:04:05,599

lot of rumors floating around

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00:04:09,670 --> 00:04:07,439

the most prevalent rumor was that one of

121

00:04:11,910 --> 00:04:09,680

the security detail went off his rocker

122

00:04:13,589 --> 00:04:11,920

and started shooting at other personnel

123

00:04:15,750 --> 00:04:13,599

we were all called back to work about a

124

00:04:16,550 --> 00:04:15,760

week later we each were given a written

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00:04:18,550 --> 00:04:16,560

statement that

126  
00:04:20,229 --> 00:04:18,560  
despite the rumors the incident was a

127  
00:04:21,830 --> 00:04:20,239  
false alarm and that no one had

128  
00:04:23,990 --> 00:04:21,840  
discharged their firearm

129  
00:04:25,909 --> 00:04:24,000  
we all rolled our eyes each of us had

130  
00:04:27,990 --> 00:04:25,919  
heard the gunshots and realized that the

131  
00:04:29,510 --> 00:04:28,000  
situation was more serious than what the

132  
00:04:31,430 --> 00:04:29,520  
military was stating

133  
00:04:33,350 --> 00:04:31,440  
a month or so later i was collecting

134  
00:04:35,430 --> 00:04:33,360  
samples in the field and was accompanied

135  
00:04:37,189 --> 00:04:35,440  
by two soldiers for security

136  
00:04:38,629 --> 00:04:37,199  
we were back in the general area of the

137  
00:04:40,310 --> 00:04:38,639  
mysterious incident

138  
00:04:42,150 --> 00:04:40,320

one of the soldiers mentioned that all

139

00:04:43,350 --> 00:04:42,160

of the security people who were on duty

140

00:04:45,350 --> 00:04:43,360

that particular day

141

00:04:46,710 --> 00:04:45,360

were no longer with the division which i

142

00:04:48,550 --> 00:04:46,720

thought was very odd

143

00:04:50,710 --> 00:04:48,560

i asked if he had heard anything about

144

00:04:52,390 --> 00:04:50,720

the incident with a straight face he

145

00:04:54,070 --> 00:04:52,400

said that something was shot after it

146

00:04:55,749 --> 00:04:54,080

scared a group of soldiers

147

00:04:57,990 --> 00:04:55,759

i mentioned that i thought soldiers were

148

00:04:59,749 --> 00:04:58,000

not authorized to shoot at wildlife

149

00:05:01,029 --> 00:04:59,759

both the soldiers snickered and agreed

150

00:05:03,270 --> 00:05:01,039

with my comment

151  
00:05:04,870 --> 00:05:03,280  
i asked what was it they explained that

152  
00:05:06,629 --> 00:05:04,880  
they were never told what the something

153  
00:05:08,550 --> 00:05:06,639  
was but there had been unconfirmed

154  
00:05:10,390 --> 00:05:08,560  
sightings of sasquatch and other unknown

155  
00:05:11,189 --> 00:05:10,400  
man like creatures in and around the

156  
00:05:13,189 --> 00:05:11,199  
base

157  
00:05:15,270 --> 00:05:13,199  
this information didn't really surprise

158  
00:05:17,029 --> 00:05:15,280  
me since i grew up in portland oregon

159  
00:05:19,350 --> 00:05:17,039  
and was well aware of the legend

160  
00:05:21,430 --> 00:05:19,360  
that is about all i can tell you i no

161  
00:05:23,270 --> 00:05:21,440  
longer work at lewis mccourt but still

162  
00:05:25,029 --> 00:05:23,280  
have several friends who do

163  
00:05:27,029 --> 00:05:25,039

i will say that i am more mindful of the

164

00:05:28,550 --> 00:05:27,039

cryptid world especially here in the

165

00:05:29,909 --> 00:05:28,560

pacific northwest

166

00:05:31,830 --> 00:05:29,919

i believe that the government and

167

00:05:32,710 --> 00:05:31,840

military are very familiar with these

168

00:05:34,469 --> 00:05:32,720

creatures

169

00:05:35,909 --> 00:05:34,479

the southern security boosts during the

170

00:05:37,909 --> 00:05:35,919

incident and then the fact that the

171

00:05:39,590 --> 00:05:37,919

biological and medical departments on

172

00:05:41,430 --> 00:05:39,600

the base were put on hiatus

173

00:05:42,790 --> 00:05:41,440

leads me to believe that the military

174

00:05:43,749 --> 00:05:42,800

was in possession of one of these

175

00:05:45,909 --> 00:05:43,759

creatures

176

00:05:47,749 --> 00:05:45,919

i have no confirmation of this but my

177

00:05:50,830 --> 00:05:47,759

good feeling indicates that this is what

178

00:05:50,840 --> 00:05:55,990

richard

179

00:06:01,270 --> 00:05:58,950

bigfoot harassed me for 15 days i was

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00:06:03,670 --> 00:06:01,280

hiking up in the cascades in oregon

181

00:06:05,830 --> 00:06:03,680

i was in a more remote area of the range

182

00:06:07,830 --> 00:06:05,840

on the sixth or seventh day on the trail

183

00:06:08,870 --> 00:06:07,840

the hair on the back of my neck started

184

00:06:10,710 --> 00:06:08,880

standing up

185

00:06:12,790 --> 00:06:10,720

i chalked it up to being a mountain lion

186

00:06:14,629 --> 00:06:12,800

in the area but the weird thing was the

187

00:06:16,550 --> 00:06:14,639

uneasy feeling never left

188

00:06:18,469 --> 00:06:16,560

that night is when i heard the howling

189

00:06:20,070 --> 00:06:18,479

it wasn't wolves or bears or any other

190

00:06:21,990 --> 00:06:20,080

animal i had ever heard

191

00:06:24,230 --> 00:06:22,000

the closest thing i could relate it to

192

00:06:26,390 --> 00:06:24,240

is the noises apes and monkeys make

193

00:06:27,430 --> 00:06:26,400

this persisted for the next few nights

194

00:06:29,749 --> 00:06:27,440

eventually things

195

00:06:31,590 --> 00:06:29,759

started rummaging through my campsite

196

00:06:32,629 --> 00:06:31,600

naturally i assumed it was a bear of

197

00:06:34,950 --> 00:06:32,639

raccoons

198

00:06:37,270 --> 00:06:34,960

but then on the 11th day i woke up and

199

00:06:39,430 --> 00:06:37,280

my food bag was removed from the tree

200

00:06:40,870 --> 00:06:39,440

something had cut the line through all

201  
00:06:43,189 --> 00:06:40,880  
my food was gone

202  
00:06:45,350 --> 00:06:43,199  
i decided to keep pushing i had four

203  
00:06:47,270 --> 00:06:45,360  
days left to the end of the trail

204  
00:06:49,270 --> 00:06:47,280  
i'm familiar with what i can and can't

205  
00:06:50,150 --> 00:06:49,280  
eat in the area and i could always fish

206  
00:06:52,309 --> 00:06:50,160  
for food

207  
00:06:54,230 --> 00:06:52,319  
the same nightly activities occurred and

208  
00:06:55,909 --> 00:06:54,240  
on the 13th night something started

209  
00:06:58,150 --> 00:06:55,919  
throwing rocks at my tent

210  
00:06:59,909 --> 00:06:58,160  
for some reason i lost it i screamed

211  
00:07:01,110 --> 00:06:59,919  
into the darkness for whatever it was to

212  
00:07:03,029 --> 00:07:01,120  
leave me alone

213  
00:07:05,110 --> 00:07:03,039

hoping it was just some person effing

214

00:07:07,430 --> 00:07:05,120

with me and maybe they'd scream out

215

00:07:09,589 --> 00:07:07,440

sorry mate or something instead it grew

216

00:07:11,749 --> 00:07:09,599

quiet for the first time in nights

217

00:07:13,589 --> 00:07:11,759

nothing could be heard then to scream

218

00:07:15,029 --> 00:07:13,599

louder and more vicious than any other

219

00:07:17,189 --> 00:07:15,039

night cut through the night

220

00:07:19,589 --> 00:07:17,199

then nothing complete and utter silence

221

00:07:20,950 --> 00:07:19,599

again despite it being quiet i wasn't

222

00:07:23,510 --> 00:07:20,960

able to sleep that night

223

00:07:24,150 --> 00:07:23,520

i just waited the next day i continued

224

00:07:26,710 --> 00:07:24,160

my hike

225

00:07:28,469 --> 00:07:26,720

dead tired just wanting to get out the

226

00:07:29,350 --> 00:07:28,479

hair on the back of my neck still

227

00:07:31,749 --> 00:07:29,360

standing

228

00:07:32,950 --> 00:07:31,759

the forest was still quiet i felt like i

229

00:07:34,710 --> 00:07:32,960

was being hunted

230

00:07:36,629 --> 00:07:34,720

towards the end of the day i had sat

231

00:07:38,150 --> 00:07:36,639

down to rest before pushing a few more

232

00:07:40,230 --> 00:07:38,160

miles when i saw it

233

00:07:41,909 --> 00:07:40,240

something tall and large bigger than any

234

00:07:43,749 --> 00:07:41,919

man or animal i had seen

235

00:07:45,430 --> 00:07:43,759

sliding through the forest not making a

236

00:07:47,589 --> 00:07:45,440

noise i yelled at it

237

00:07:49,110 --> 00:07:47,599

it turned to look at me i never got a

238

00:07:49,749 --> 00:07:49,120

good look at it through the trees and

239

00:07:51,830 --> 00:07:49,759

the brush

240

00:07:53,510 --> 00:07:51,840

and it was dark but i knew that whatever

241

00:07:55,510 --> 00:07:53,520

it was that was causing this

242

00:07:58,469 --> 00:07:55,520

i threw rock at it and then pulled my

243

00:08:00,390 --> 00:07:58,479

knife this thing just kept staring at me

244

00:08:01,830 --> 00:08:00,400

i don't know what kicked him but i no

245

00:08:03,670 --> 00:08:01,840

longer felt scared

246

00:08:04,869 --> 00:08:03,680

i was angry and tired of this thing

247

00:08:07,270 --> 00:08:04,879

messing with me

248

00:08:08,869 --> 00:08:07,280

i quickly moved towards it it turned and

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00:08:10,710 --> 00:08:08,879

bolted into the forest

250

00:08:12,230 --> 00:08:10,720

i thought about following it but its

251  
00:08:14,950 --> 00:08:12,240  
long stripes would have easily

252  
00:08:17,110 --> 00:08:14,960  
outpaced me i backtracked my way back to

253  
00:08:19,350 --> 00:08:17,120  
my backpack in the resting area

254  
00:08:21,110 --> 00:08:19,360  
i was exhausted and made camp there

255  
00:08:23,189 --> 00:08:21,120  
another night of silence

256  
00:08:24,869 --> 00:08:23,199  
i woke up the next day and had about 10

257  
00:08:27,670 --> 00:08:24,879  
miles until i was out

258  
00:08:28,790 --> 00:08:27,680  
exhausted hungry mentally drained i made

259  
00:08:31,029 --> 00:08:28,800  
my way out

260  
00:08:33,190 --> 00:08:31,039  
as i got closer and closer to the end of

261  
00:08:34,149 --> 00:08:33,200  
the trail the typical forest noises

262  
00:08:36,389 --> 00:08:34,159  
returned

263  
00:08:37,350 --> 00:08:36,399

birds bugs mice running through the

264

00:08:39,990 --> 00:08:37,360

undergrowth

265

00:08:42,149 --> 00:08:40,000

all these noises slowly returned i no

266

00:08:44,790 --> 00:08:42,159

longer had this feeling of unease

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00:08:45,829 --> 00:08:44,800

i got to trail's end sat in my car and

268

00:08:47,910 --> 00:08:45,839

broke down

269

00:08:49,509 --> 00:08:47,920

i was never a believer in bigfoot but

270

00:08:50,230 --> 00:08:49,519

that thing was not another person or

271

00:08:52,470 --> 00:08:50,240

human

272

00:08:54,150 --> 00:08:52,480

i told a park ranger about it and he

273

00:08:55,750 --> 00:08:54,160

jokingly said they have a bunch of

274

00:08:57,910 --> 00:08:55,760

bigfoot sightings in the area

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00:08:59,910 --> 00:08:57,920

but most likely it was a local screwing

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00:09:02,310 --> 00:08:59,920

with me or my own imagination

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00:09:05,070 --> 00:09:02,320

i do a lot of long hikes but that 15

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00:09:06,829 --> 00:09:05,080

days was by far the worst

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00:09:10,389 --> 00:09:06,839

[Music]

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00:09:13,829 --> 00:09:12,949

this is lon strickler if you like this

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00:09:15,590 --> 00:09:13,839

program

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00:09:16,870 --> 00:09:15,600

it would help us if you would give it a

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00:09:19,750 --> 00:09:16,880

thumbs up

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00:09:22,389 --> 00:09:19,760

then subscribe and click the bell icon

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00:09:25,350 --> 00:09:22,399

so you get notification when we upload

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00:09:26,070 --> 00:09:25,360

new first person encounters we have many

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00:09:29,030 --> 00:09:26,080

more to come

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00:09:30,310 --> 00:09:29,040

very soon and by the way if you have a

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00:09:32,710 --> 00:09:30,320

suggestion