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## DNR conservation officer and park ranger rescue duck hunters

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**MONONA COUNTY, Iowa --** DNR Conservation Officer Gary Sisco and DNR Park Ranger Katie Hoeppner responded to a stranded boat with duck hunters on West Blue Lake, a marsh off of Blue Lake in Monona County in the evening hours of November 26.

Three duck hunters were stranded in their boat after they sheared the cotter pin on the prop shaft and were without any propulsion.

The officer and ranger towed the boat and hunters to safety at the boat ramp during the snowstorm. The snowstorm made the nighttime rescue difficult due to the heavy snowfall, high winds, blowing snow, cold temperatures and blustery wind chills.