



# News Release

## **Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation**

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## **Inmate Who Escaped Treatment Facility Now In Custody**

Mission, OR – Officials say Tom Redhawk Tias turned himself in to the U.S. Marshals at the U.S. Federal Courthouse in Portland, Oregon, on Thursday, January 19, 2023. Officials say Tias was accompanied by his attorney's investigator.

On Monday, January 16, 2023, Tias, 22, reportedly assaulted a family member at Medicine Wheel Recovery Services in St. Helens, Oregon. Shortly after the altercation, Tias removed his monitoring device and absconded. A federal warrant was issued for his arrest.

Tias, a resident of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter in December 2022. His sentencing is scheduled for April 10, 2023.

The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation is comprised of the Cayuse, Umatilla, and Walla Walla Tribes, formed under the Treaty of 1855 at the Walla Walla Valley, 12 Stat. 945. In 1949, the Tribes adopted a constitutional form of government to protect, preserve and enhance the reserved treaty rights guaranteed under federal law.

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