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Bomb Threat Closes Tamástslikt Cultural Institute

MISSION, Ore. – The Tamástslikt Cultural Institute, 47106 Wildhorse Blvd., has been closed due to a bomb threat it and approximately 30 other museums across the Pacific Northwest received around 11:30 a.m. on Jan. 5.

The Institute, along with other PNW museums, received the threat via email.

Sgt. Russell Holt of the Umatilla Tribal Police said the Institute was evacuated and closed around noon. He added the road leading to the facility was also closed and that Wildhorse Resort & Casino security was checking the building for explosives.

Holt said although it's more than likely the threat is a hoax all precautions were being taken in case it wasn't. He said the Institute would remain closed for the rest of the day.

Updates will be provided as they become available.

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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Caption: The Tamástslikt Cultural Institute, 47106 Wildhorse Blvd., was closed around 11:30 a.m. on Jan. 5. after it and approximately 30 other museums across the Pacific Northwest received a bomb threat via email. Photo Courtesy of U.S. National Park Services