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UPDATE: Bomb Threat Closes Tamástslikt Cultural Institute

MISSION, Ore. – After an extensive search, no explosives or additional threats have been found at the Tamástslikt Cultural Institute following a bomb threat it received earlier today, according to Umatilla Tribal Police.

At about 11:30 a.m. on Jan. 5 the Institute, along with approximately 30 other museums across the Pacific Northwest, received a bomb threat via email.

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

Holt 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