



WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Bomb Threat at Bank Closes TV Highway

Summary of Event

A bomb threat at the US Bank in Aloha forced the closure of one of Washington County's busiest roadways. Southwest TV Highway was closed for an hour and 45 minutes today while Sheriff's Deputies investigated. No bomb was found and no one was arrested.

Full Details

On Thursday, August 19, 2010, at 5:56 p.m., Sheriff's Deputies responded to a 911 call from the US bank located at 19091 SW Tualatin Valley Highway (also known as TV Highway or Highway 8) in the community of Aloha. A bank employee reported that they had received a bomb threat over the telephone.

The caller made undisclosed demands and threatened to detonate a bomb in or near the bank if those demands were not met. Sheriff's Deputies quickly arrived on the scene and closed down SW TV Highway at SW 185th Avenue and SW 198th Avenue to protect motorists.

The bank and some adjacent business were evacuated while the Metropolitan Explosives Disposal Unit looked for an explosive device. They did not locate anything suspicious.

There were no arrests made and no one was hurt. Southwest TV Highway was closed for nearly two hours during the investigation.

The Hillsboro Police Department, Portland Police Bureau, and the FBI all assisted with the incident. Because the bomb threat involved a federally insured bank, the FBI has taken over the investigation.

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