

UPDATE #2 IN-CUSTODY - PUBLIC ALERT: POLICE SEARCHING FOR ESCAPED INMATE IN NORTHEAST PORTLAND (PHOTO)

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Tonight at 9:56 p.m., North Precinct officers responded to the area of I-5 and Columbia Boulevard on the report that a Corrections Officer transporting an unrelated person saw a person matching wanted fugitive Matthew Medlin's description on North Columbia Boulevard near I-5.

North Precinct officers responded to the area and located Medlin at the Jack in the Box restaurant, located at Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. and Columbia Boulevards. Medlin was initially non-compliant with commands to get on the ground but after numerous officers arrived, including a Canine Unit, Medlin surrendered without incident.

Medical personnel are treating Medlin at the scene for injuries he suffered during the escape and he will be booked into the Multnomah County Jail on charges that are to-be-determined.

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###ORIGINAL MESSAGE BELOW###

Officers have suspended the neighborhood search for escaped inmate Matthew Medlin. Officers conducted an extensive search of the area surrounding CRCI, including an extensive search from the water along the Columbia Slough.

Officers from North Precinct, the K-9 Unit and the Air Support Unit were assisted by the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office and Oregon State Police during the search.

Officers learned that Medlin may have suffered cuts when he climbed the prison fence and may have injuries requiring treatment.

Anyone seeing Medlin should immediately call 9-1-1. Anyone with non-emergency information

about Medlin or the escape should contact Oregon Department of Corrections Investigators at (503) 302-4228.

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###ORIGINAL MESSAGE BELOW###

Today, Wednesday April 30, 2014, at 12:37 p.m., North Precinct officers responded to the Columbia River Correctional Institute (CRCI) on the report that an inmate escaped after climbing the fence. CRCI is located at 9111 Northeast Sunderland Avenue, near Northeast 33rd Avenue and Marine Drive.

The inmate has been identified as 30-year-old Matthew Joseph Medlin and he is described as 5'8" tall, 185 pounds, bald head, multiple facial tattoos, wearing blue jeans and a blue t-shirt with Department of Corrections stencil.

Medlin was incarcerated on a charges including Burglary, Sex Abuse and Assault. He was due for release on May 6, 2014.

Multiple officers are in the area searching for Medlin.

Anyone seeing Medlin should immediately call 9-1-1.

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