



WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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PRESS RELEASE

Instructor Critically Injured During Training Exercise

August 15, 2015-- The Washington County Sheriff's Office responded to a training facility near the rural community of Timber. A group was conducting training when the lead instructor was injured and was taken by Life Flight to OHSU with life threatening injuries.

August 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., Washington County Deputies responded to 72000 NW Cochran Road in the community of Timber to the Joint Regional Operation Center (JROC) a private training facility. Upon arrival, deputies learned a group of ex-military and ex-law enforcement members rented the facility and were conducting firearms training involving the use of Tannerite.

The training exercise involved several scenarios to include shooting the Tannerite, which is explodes when struck by a bullet. The Tannerite was placed behind a car door. When the Tannerite was struck, it exploded, and shrapnel from the car door hit the instructor, Scott Turner, 42, of Albany. He received multiple life threatening injuries and was treated by a medic on scene before being taken by Life Flight to OHSU.

Although the investigating deputies believe this to be a training accident, the investigation is on-going.