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PRESS RELEASE

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FROM: Bill Elliott, Chief of Police

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Subject: Identity of human remains found on the Warm Springs Reservation on 1-12-2021

On January 12, 2021, Warm Springs Tribal Police Department (WSTPD) Officers responded to the discovery of human remains which were found near the Tenino Creek Area of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation by a local citizen (see attached press release).

The remains were collected by WSTPD Detectives, the Special Agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), and the FBI Evidence Recovery Team (ERT). The collected remains were submitted to the medical examiner's office for forensic evaluation, and with the help of dental records and DNA sampling, it is believed that remains are that of a Tina Spino, a Warm Springs Resident who was reported missing on August 8, 2020, and whose case has been vigorously pursued to this date.

This department has assured the family that we will continue to piece together the circumstances surrounding her death, and to that end we are asking for the public at large to report any sightings or conversations with Ms Spino during the time period around her disappearance during the month of August of 2020.

If anyone has any information regarding this matter, please contact WSTPD investigations at 541-553-2202, or WSTPD office at 541-553-1172.

As always, in these situations our thoughts and prayers go out to the family and friends.

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