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UPDATE: Multiple inmate-on-inmate assaults at TSCI

LINCOLN, Neb. – The Nebraska Department of Correctional Services’ investigation into an altercation between multiple inmates at the Tecumseh State Correctional Institution on July 14, 2016 continues.

The preliminary investigation revealed one of the assaults involved the use of an improvised weapon.

Living Unit 2 was kept on lockdown status through the weekend while NDCS staff interviewed inmates and conducted a thorough search of the unit for contraband. No additional weapons were found.

Inmates residing in Living Unit 2 were allowed access to showers and telephones Sunday and access outside of the unit yesterday and today.

Monday afternoon, a group of about 40 inmates from Living Unit 2 refused to return to their living unit after eating lunch demanding to know when the “lockdown” was going to end. Agency emergency response team members were activated, but were not used to respond to this incident. After providing more information to the group, they agreed to return to their cells.

Living Unit 2 will resume normal operations consistent with the rest of the facility on Wednesday.

NDCS will submit its findings to the local county attorney for prosecution at the completion of the investigation.