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## News Release

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## Newly Renovated Rivers Event Center open for Meetings, Conventions and Special Events

**Pendleton** – With the opening of the newly remodeled Rivers Event Center, a 6,700 square-foot flexible meeting and banquet space, Wildhorse Resort & Casino has become a prized location for the savvy meeting and event planner. Including the beautiful event space at the Tamástslikt Cultural institute, Wildhorse has nearly 18,000 total square-feet of meeting space available.

The Rivers Event Center, which can be divided into four private rooms, features 16-ft ceilings, contemporary colors, chandeliers, and detailing as well as state of the art audio, video, and lighting capabilities. Extra large delivery doors accommodate trade show usage and a full-size, raised and curtained stage provides the backdrop for speakers, entertainers, and multi-media presentations. Two retractable 14-foot ceiling projector screens are permanent installations designed for real time viewing and video projection. The Rivers Event Center can seat up to 650 guests depending on the configuration.

Al Tovey, Casino General Manager of Wildhorse Resort & Casino, points out the real advantage to the Rivers Event Center. “At Wildhorse, your group will feel like a ‘big fish in a small pond,’” he says. “Every group is important to us, no matter what its size. In addition to the beautifully appointed Cayuse Hall, we now have another elegant hall with flexible spaces ready to welcome any size group for single or multiple day gatherings, plus full-service, high quality catering and event planning services.”

Tovey adds that, despite being in a small, rural town, Wildhorse Resort & Casino “is a great value with 100 hotel rooms located adjacent to a 24-hour casino, six restaurants, a lounge and cabaret featuring live entertainment weekly.” Add to that a world-class museum, Tamástslikt Cultural Institute, plus championship golf and people are finding that Wildhorse is an ideal location for their event.

Currently, the Rivers Event Center is being used to host the Pacific Northwest’s largest poker tournament, where over 1,000 players are expected to participate for more than \$1 million, and was recently the venue for Frank Sinatra, Jr.

*Wildhorse Resort & Casino is the Pacific Northwest's highest paying casino, with a record \$9.3 million slot jackpot. The Resort includes a 24-hour casino, five restaurants including the new buffet restaurant, Traditions, and new fine dining restaurant, Plateau, the Players lounge, weekly live entertainment in the Wildfire Cabaret, hotel, RV Park, 18-hole golf course and Tribal museum. It is located just minutes off I-84 at Exit 216, four miles east of Pendleton. For more information: 1-800-654-9453 or [www.wildhorseresort.com](http://www.wildhorseresort.com) . Wildhorse is owned and operated by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.*

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