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## **Bomb scare in Everett**

EVERETT – The Interagency Bomb Team is investigating an object designed and staged to look like an Improvised Explosive Device at a bus stop.

At 3 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, 2016, an Everett Clinic employee called 911 to report a suspicious item attached to the bus stop structure in the 3900 block of Rucker Ave. Arriving officers observed the item, confirmed it was suspicious and called the Interagency Bomb Team to investigate.

Bomb technicians used a robot to inspect the cylindrically shaped object, housed in plastic with wires sticking out, which looked like an improvised explosive device. After the robot removed the object from the bus stop structure, technicians inspected and determined it was fake. Bomb Technician Mike Atwood of the Everett Police Department says, “Someone put effort into making the object look like a real explosive device. The initial report by the Everett Clinic and response by officers allowed us to keep the public safe.”

Bomb technicians impounded the device and will examine it to continue their investigation.

Rucker Ave from the 3700 - 4100 blocks was closed for traffic during the incident which lasted about three hours.

Officers assisted the Everett Clinic with evacuating people from the building.

A WSP Bomb dog was used at the scene to search the area around the bus stop.

No injuries were reported during the incident.

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