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State Prison Inmate Back In Custody

RAPID CITY, S.D.- A state prison inmate who was placed on escape status late last month is back in custody.

Joseph Standing Bear was apprehended in Rapid City earlier this week. He left his community service worksite in Rapid City without authorization Dec. 27 and failed to return to the Rapid City Community Work Center.

Standing Bear is currently housed at the Pennington County Jail.

Leaving a non-secure correctional facility without authorization constitutes second-degree escape, a class 5 felony, and is punishable by a maximum of 5 years in prison.

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Our mission is to protect the citizens of South Dakota by providing safe and secure facilities for juvenile and adult offenders committed to our custody by the courts. To provide effective community supervision to offenders upon their release and to utilize evidence-based practices to maximize opportunities for rehabilitation.