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REPORT OF A HAND GRENADE; NORTH BEACH AREA

On August 10, 2011 at approximately 4:45 PM Port Townsend Police Department Officers were dispatched to the North Beach Park area on a report that a local Port Townsend Resident had located what appeared to be a military hand grenade on the beach about ½ mile west from the park. Officers checked the device and determined that it appeared to be an authentic military hand grenade. They closed the access to this area of the beach and requested the Washington State Patrol Bomb Squad to respond.

When the Washington State Patrol Bomb Squad arrived they examined the item, photographed it in place and examined the photos. After some research they determined the item was a firework smoke grenade made to look like an authentic military grenade. The item was determined to be safe and was removed and discarded by the Washington State Patrol Bomb Squad.

Anyone with any information regarding this incident may contact Administrative Sergeant Edgar J. Green, Port Townsend Police Department at (360) 531-2091.