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OLCC issues proposed license cancellation for El Rio Nilo in Salem

SALEM, Ore. – The Oregon Liquor Control Commission proposes to cancel the liquor license for El Rio Nilo at 3180 Lancaster Drive NE in Salem.

The proposed cancellation came as the result of a history of serious and persistent problems including fights, altercations and suspected gang activity. Many instances involved minors. Fourteen separate incidents occurred at El Rio Nilo within a six month period.

OLCC staff held an intervention meeting with the business's owners in October to address and correct issues.

"Public safety is our first priority," said James Lynch, OLCC Salem Regional Manager. "In spite of our attempts to work with the licensee, they haven't taken appropriate steps to address the problems. Over-service of alcohol poses a serious threat to the patrons, staff and the community."

A history of serious and persistent problems is a violation of Oregon Revised Statute 471.315(1)(c).