

Bear forces Incline school to be on lockdown

By Associated Press

A black bear that wandered onto a Lake Tahoe high school campus and prompted a precautionary lockdown for two hours today is the same one that was captured with her cub in Carson City three days ago and released in the mountains 30 miles away.

The lockdown at Incline High School was lifted shortly after 11am Sept. 16 when state wildlife officials shot the mother bear with a tranquilizer dart after she climbed a tree outside the school on the lake's north shore.

Nevada Department of Wildlife spokesman Chris Healy says they intend to place the bear in a two-chamber trap baited with food in hopes of luring the cub back to its mother.

Healy says the bears won't be killed because they've not posed any threat to anyone. He says wildlife biologists hope to release both of them to the wild again in the next day or so.