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PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) -- The news that the Cowlitz Tribe of Washington state has won federal approval for a casino a few minutes drive from Portland has given the tribe with Oregon's largest casino yet another source of competition.

Leaders of the Grande Ronde say they're still going to fight the proposed casino just off Interstate 5 near La Center. The Grande Ronde run a casino about 60 miles from Portland.

The Oregonian newspaper reports Cowlitz Tribe Chairman William Iyall says the casino can be open within three years.

In November, Oregon voters shot down Measure 75, which would have allowed the construction of the state's first non-tribal casino in a suburb of Portland.

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