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## **Police Investigate Body Found in Wolf Creek**

**GRASS VALLEY, CA** – Grass Valley Police are continuing their investigation of a body found in Wolf Creek behind 221 E. Main St in the City yesterday.

At approximately 9:24am on Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, Grass Valley Police Dispatch received a call of a body lying in Wolf Creek near the southbound off-ramp from Highway 49 to Bennett St. The original call from the California Highway Patrol related that a private contractor, GEOCON, had found the body while conducting routine water testing of Wolf Creek.

Upon arrival of police and emergency personnel from the Grass Valley Fire Department, officers located the body of a white male in his late 40's to early 50's lying in the creek behind and up-stream from 221 E. Main St. The body was partially clothed with dark pants and shoes. The immediate area was secured to allow for further investigation by detectives and the Department of Justice Forensic Science Unit.

The victim was identified as DENNIS TIMOTHY ROYLE, 52 years of age, from Nevada County. Preliminary information indicated that Mr. Royle had various local addresses including 221 E. Main St. where he was found and that he may have recently returned to the area from San Diego.

The cause of death has not yet been determined. An autopsy has been scheduled for today whereby investigators hope to glean further information on Mr. Royle's death. At this time, police do not suspect foul play; however, they are proceeding with caution until a cause is determined.

Anyone with information on this incident is encouraged to contact the Grass Valley Police Department at 530.477.4600.

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