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REMAINS DISCOVERED NEAR MT. WILLIAMSON

MT. WILLIAMSON (EASTERN SIERRA), CA. October 16, 2019 - On October 7, 2019, two hikers discovered human remains near the far side of the "Williamson Bowl", above the sixth lake.

The Inyo County Sheriff's Office was contacted; due to the remote location and difficult terrain aerial support was required in order to transport a Sheriff's Office Investigator. Several attempts were made, but high winds in the Eastern Sierra hampered recovery operations.

On October 16, CHP Inland Division Air Operations was able to insert a Sheriff's Investigator, and the remains were successfully transported to the Lone Pine Airport where custody was transferred to the Inyo County Coroner.

The Inyo County Sheriff's Office does not have any missing persons reports connected to this location, and based on the condition of the remains, it is believed that the body may have been in this area for quite some time – perhaps decades. The case will be handled as an open investigation; no foul play is suspected. Identification is pending DNA confirmation.

If anyone has information connected to a missing individual in the Mt. Williamson area you are encouraged to call the Inyo County Sheriff's Office at 760-878-0383/option 4.

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