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NEWS RELEASE

Sacramento County Coroner Update on Two Deaths

Due to the volume of calls from the media, the Sacramento Coroner's Office is releasing the following information. Updates will be issued on these cases as soon as new information becomes available.

MAN FOUND DEAD AFTER GRASS FIRE

On May 18, 2007, at approximately 0330 hrs, the Sacramento Fire Dept. was dispatched to a reported grass fire on the American River levee bank between the American River and the American River Bike Trail in the Two Rivers area near North 10th Street, Sacramento. An adult male was discovered and declared dead at 0532 hours by firefighters after the small grass/brush fire was extinguished. The unidentified man appears to be between 20 and 40 years of age and suffered thermal injuries. The cause and manner of death are pending.

Anyone with any information regarding the decedent that may assist in his identification is requested to please contact the Sacramento Coroner's Office at 916-874-9320.

CAUSE OF 14-YEAR-OLD YOUTH'S DEATH PENDING

The Sacramento Coroner's Office is currently investigating the death of a 14-year-old male who was pronounced dead at the UCD Medical Center on May 19, 2007 at 0719 hours. His name is not being released pending notification of his next-of-kin. His cause of death has not been determined at this time and an autopsy is scheduled to be performed in the next 24 to 48 hours.

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