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## Suspicious death investigation

**Kingston, Wash.** -- Kitsap County Sheriff's detectives are conducting an investigation into the death of an apparent adult male, found late Wednesday evening inside of a residence in the 27700 block of Resource Ridge Avenue NE.

The property is located in the unincorporated area of North Kitsap, west of Kingston and north of the City of Poulsbo.

Sheriff's patrol deputies were dispatched to the residence around 9:30 p.m. regarding a request for a welfare check of a man living at the property. Neighbors reported to Kitsap County Central Communications (9-1-1 dispatch) that the occupant of the house had not been seen for several days.

Responding patrol deputies made entry into the house and found the man. After ascertaining that no other persons were on the premises, deputies secured the scene and notified detectives.

The identity of the deceased man has not been confirmed. As the cause of death is unknown, investigators are handling the investigation as a suspicious death, until further information is developed. A concurrent investigation is being conducted by the Kitsap County Coroner.

Additional forensic support for the investigation was provided by the Washington State Patrol Crime Response Team.

An autopsy is scheduled for tomorrow, to be conducted by the county's forensic pathologist. The coroner will confirm the man's identity and make a determination as to cause and manner of death. Once next of kin are notified, the identity of the deceased man may be made available for public release.

Anyone who may have information concerning this investigation is asked to contact Detective Lori Blankenship at (360) 337-5615, or Detective Steve Duckworth at (360) 337-5669. Those wishing to remain anonymous may contact Crime Stoppers of Puget Sound at 1-800-222-TIPS.

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