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## Second ground search for missing East Bremerton woman

**Port Orchard, Wash.** -- The Kitsap County Sheriff's search and rescue (SAR) unit will initiate a second ground search for an East Bremerton woman who is considered endangered and is missing from the family home.

This second search is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 1, starting after 7:00 a.m.

Kara Lynn Radabah, age 19, was last seen by her family around 6:00 p.m., Thursday, May 13, in the campground area of Illahee State Park in East Bremerton. Radabah was diagnosed with Schizophrenia within the past year. She was being cared for at in her East Bremerton home and she left the family residence unexpectedly.

The search area will include Illahee State Park and adjoining land and properties in East Bremerton between Rue Villa Street NE and then southward to the area encompassing the intersection of Trenton Avenue and Jacobsen Blvd.

"Sheriff's detectives and patrol deputies are involved in a thorough investigation into this young woman's disappearance," said Detective Lt. Earl Smith. "This is a repeat search utilizing both ground personnel and search canines to re-confirm that no evidence was missed during the initial search on May 14."

Sheriff's detectives and SAR deputies are requesting assistance from residents in the area. "We'll be searching, on foot, in rural settings and in neighborhoods," added Lt. Smith. "If homeowners notice anything on their property that is unusual, please contact 9-1-1."

During the first search canine teams tracked out of the park to an area around NE Sylvan Way & Perry Avenue NE, East Bremerton, where the track ended, indicating the possibility that Kara had left the area in a vehicle.

The initial search was conducted with an emphasis on the campground area where Kara was last observed, and along a network of trails. Ground personnel walked the beach north to Gilberton then south along Illahee Road NE back to the park. The sheriff's marine unit checked the shoreline and adjacent areas in Puget Sound.



**Kara Lynn Radabah**

Radabah's physical description:

**5' 06" height    130 lbs. weight    brown-colored hair    brown-colored eyes**

She was last seen wearing: **Black-colored tee shirt, blue jeans and white-colored shoes.**

The SAR ground search mission will be conducted by:

- Washington Explorer Search and Rescue, Kitsap Unit.
- All Breeds Canine Search and Rescue Group of Kitsap County.
- German Shepherd Search Dogs of Washington State (from Pierce County).

"This search will be time, resource and manpower intensive," stated Lt. Smith. "But we have to be 100 percent sure that nothing has been overlooked."

Anyone who may have seen Kara Radabah, or who may have information concerning her whereabouts, is asked to contact Kitsap County Central Communications at 9-1-1 or (360) 308-5400.

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