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Press Release

Sheriff Dahl reports at about 7:55 a.m. on June 9th, the Crow Wing County Sheriff's Office received a call to conduct a welfare check on a 54 year old Brainerd man that had not shown up for work for the last two days. About 5 minutes later the Sheriff's Office received a call of an abandoned boat floating on NoKay Lake, about 10 miles east of Brainerd. The boat's registration came back to the same male individual as mentioned in the welfare check.

The boat was recovered, and the male individual's truck and boat trailer were located at the Nokay Lake access. At this time evidence indicates a possible drowning. The boat's GPS showed that the male individual had been fishing presumably Wednesday evening, June 7th, on NoKay Lake on the east side of the island.

Crow Wing County Sheriff's Office Boat and Water Division is currently searching the area with a Side Scan Sonar and other watercraft. They are being assisted by the Minnesota DNR both on the water, and with aerial support. Searches will continue during daylight hours.

The name of the individual is being withheld pending notification of family, and more information will be released as the Sheriff's Office obtains it.

With courage, honor and integrity, we protect the rights and dignity of all citizens. In partnership with our communities, we strive to preserve the peace and are dedicated to excellence in the delivery of public safety services.