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MEDIA RELEASE
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At approximately 1:40 a.m. today, Sheriff's Deputies and Emergency Medical personnel responded to the area of Beck Road and Prairie Avenue in western Kootenai County to an unknown injury accident. When emergency personnel arrived, they found a one vehicle roll over where the driver had been ejected and the passenger, who was wearing a seat belt, was still in the pick-up. The driver, Ronald Countryman, 37 of Coeur d'Alene was pronounced dead at the scene. The passenger was injured and transported to Kootenai Medical Center.

Alcohol is believed to possibly be a factor in this incident. The investigation is on-going. Further information will be released when it becomes available.

Rocky Watson, Sheriff

By: Capt. Ben Wolfinger