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MEDIA RELEASE
March 17, 2011**

The Kootenai County Sheriff's Department is investigating a fatality accident that occurred at the Honeysuckle Boat Launch on Hayden Lake.

Preliminary investigation indicates at about 9:55 p.m. today, that an adult female drove her SUV past several barrier signs at the Honeysuckle Boat Launch and into the waters of Hayden Lake.

A nearby resident heard the crash and called 911. Members of the Northern Lakes Fire Department and Kootenai County Sheriff's Department responded to the scene and found the SUV about 100 feet from shore in about 10-15 feet of water. The KCSD Dive Rescue Team responded and recovered the female from the vehicle. Medical personnel's attempts to revive her were unsuccessful.

The identity of the 34 year old female victim will be released after the next of kin are notified. Further details of the investigation will be released as they become available.

Rocky Watson, Sheriff
By: Lieutenant Stu Miller

**KOOTENAI COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
MEDIA RELEASE - UPDATE
March 18, 2011**

The Kootenai County Sheriff's Department is continuing its investigation into the fatality accident that occurred at the Honeysuckle Boat Launch on Hayden Lake last night.

The victim has been identified as 34 year old, Jennifer M. Gonzalez of Hayden, Idaho. It appears that alcohol may have been a contributing factor to the accident. An autopsy will be performed to determine the cause of death.

Further information will be released as it becomes available.

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