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## KOOTENAI COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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**KOOTENAI COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
**MEDIA RELEASE**  
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The Kootenai County Sheriff's Office is investigating the death of a diver found floating in Coeur d'Alene Lake near the Coeur d'Alene Resort Golf Course Floating Green.

Initial investigation indicates that a Resort Golf Course employee noticed the man floating on the surface of the water just off the northeast corner of the floating green about 3:55 p.m. today. Employees called 9-1-1 and pulled the man from the water and began C.P.R. The man was transported to Kootenai Medical Center where he was pronounced dead.

The man, identified as Mike McCullough, in his mid-20's from Rexburg, Idaho was working for a contractor who picks up golf balls and other debris from the lake bottom in the area. It is unknown what happened to cause his death, but the deputies from the Sheriff's Recreation Safety Section are diving this afternoon to recover McCullough's dive gear in hope of determining what went wrong below the surface.

Exact cause of death is unknown at this time, pending an autopsy later this week.

As further information becomes available, it will be released.

Rocky Watson, Sheriff

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