BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
MEDIA RELEASE

JERRY W. SMITH
SHERIFF-CORONER

DATE : Sunday June 27, 2010

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SUBJECT: C10-13472

On Friday June 18, 2010, the family of 84 year old Feather Falls resident Harry Kirk reported him missing to the Butte County Sheriff's Department. Initially, it was believed by the family that he may have travelled to one of the local casinos. By Saturday June 19, 2010, it was determined that Mr. Kirk had not been to either of the local casinos, and a search of the area around Mr. Kirk's home was initiated. By nightfall on Monday June 21, 2010, over 100 searchers from Butte County Sheriff's Search and Rescue and numerous agencies from throughout Northern California and the Bay Area, including the, CARDA Wilderness Search Dogs and a CHP helicopter had searched the areas it was believed Mr. Kirk would have been able to access given his mobility. After not locating any indication of Mr. Kirk's location or the direction he may have travelled, the search was suspended.

On Sunday June 27, 2010, the Butte County Sheriffs Search and Rescue, the Butte County Sheriff's Air Unit and additional CARDA Wilderness Search Dogs responded back to Feather Falls to continue searching for Mr. Kirk. After approximately two additional hours of searching an expanded search area east of Mr. Kirk's residence from the air and ground, Butte County Sheriff's helicopter H-2 located the remains of a deceased subject in heavy brush. Identification of the located subject is pending.