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****MEDIA RELEASE****

Body Recovered Under Noyo Bridge 12/23/2024

On 12/23/2024 at approximately 8:15 AM, a witness called Dispatch reporting human remains were on the shore under the south side of the Noyo Bridge. Officers quickly responded to the shore and located human remains, which were unidentifiable.

Officers examined the remains and noted the clothing and jewelry were the same of Roy Mora, 15, who has been missing since 12/7/2024 and last seen on surveillance video crossing the Noyo Bridge on 12/7/2024 at approximately 8:00 PM. Also, Roy's cell phone was located on the Noyo Bridge the evening of 12/7/2024. Positive identification will require DNA confirmation and may take several weeks.

The review of surveillance footage confirmed Roy was walking alone when he left the view of surveillance cameras. The individual who found the phone entered the bridge from the north over two hours after Roy last appeared on video walking across the bridge. This was confirmed with video surveillance. Investigators also confirmed no one else was on the east side of the Noyo Bridge where Roy was last seen for over 30 minutes.

Roy's mother identified jewelry found on the remains as the same as what Roy was wearing the night of his disappearance.

Until positive identification has been made by the medical examiner through DNA, FBPD will continue to follow leads regarding Roy Mora. Based on all evidence to date, there is no sign of foul play.

Chief Neil Cervenka said, "The entire police department is devastated and is grieving with our community. Our entire staff has been working continuously to find Roy, and through that, have come to know him. Our thoughts are with Roy's family and friends."

Fort Bragg PD would like to thank Fort Bragg Fire Department and the US Coast Guard for their assistance.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact FBPD Dispatch with the Fort Bragg Police Department at (707)964-0200 or email room-299199@room.veoci.com. If you have photo or video surveillance of Roy from the evening of December 7, 2024 or after, you can direct upload at <https://fortbraggpd.ca.evidence.com/axon/community-request/public/findroy>.

This information is being released by Chief Neil Cervenka. For media inquiries, please reach out to him directly at ncervenka@fortbragg.com.