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# LANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

## NEWS RELEASE



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**CASE NUMBER:** 11-02103

**DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT:** 03/26/2011 at 3:09PM

**DATE/TIME OF RELEASE:** 03/28/2011 at 3:00PM

**NATURE OF STORY:** Fatal Boating Accident – Additional Involved Names Released

**LOCATION:** McKenzie River near Hendricks Wayside, Springfield

**INVOLVED:** Maddox, Kenneth S., DOB/ 06-12-1953  
Eugene, OR

Halpert, Scott D., DOB/ 08-19-1946  
Springfield, OR

Moran, Warren C. Jr., DOB/ 07-11-1951 (Deceased)  
Eugene, OR

### **DETAILS:**

Maddox and Halpert are identified as the other men in the boat with Moran during the capsizing on March 26, 2011. Moran and Halpert were passengers and Maddox was operating the drift boat at the time of the capsizing. Based on the initial investigation, the Sheriff's Office does not find cause for enforcement action in this case.

### **BACKGROUND:**

On Sunday, 03/27/2011 Lane County Sheriff's Marine Patrol and Search and Rescue personnel, including the Sheriff's volunteer dive team continued the search for Moran who went missing on 03/26/2011 while on a fishing trip on the McKenzie River with two friends. The three, who were not wearing PFD's at the time of the accident hit a downed tree (snag) in the water and overturned their drift boat. The drift boat was pinned on the bottom under about 5 feet of water in strong current. Two of the men were able to self rescue. Moran was not seen after the initial incident. While the accident is still under investigation, alcohol does not appear to be a factor in the accident.

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