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PRESS RELEASE

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On Tuesday, July 5th, 2011 at 07:52 a.m., the St. Croix County Sheriff's Department received a missing person complaint from the 2800 block of 50th Ave. in Cady Township.

Initial information indicated a male subject left the American Legion in Wilson, WI at approximately 8:30 p.m. the evening of July 4th on a 2008 Polaris 500 X2 4 wheeler and did not arrive home. There was no contact with the subject since that time.

Deputies responded to the area and assisted family and friends with an extensive ground search of the area. A Helicopter was then used to conduct an air search in an attempt to locate the subject.

At approximately 3:45 p.m. the dispatch center received a call from the ground party advising they located a body in a bean field several hundred yards south of the road in the 2600 block of 50th Ave.

Deputies and a DNR warden arrived and located a male subject deceased as a result of an ATV crash into a wood line along the south side of the bean field. The deceased was identified as Patrick Sobota, age 56 of rural Wilson, WI.

Mr. Sobota was not wearing a helmet at the time of the crash.

Assisting at the scene was the Wisconsin DNR, Baldwin Ambulance Service and ACE Helicopters, LLC from Colfax, WI.

The crash remains under investigation by the St. Croix County Sheriff's Office and the Wisconsin DNR.