

# Benton County Sheriff's Office

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Dead Body in Willamette River**

*Corvallis, OR* - On June 12, 2019, at 12:49 pm, the Albany Police Department was advised of a dead body floating in the Willamette River near Tadena landing. After the retrieval and the securing of the body, Benton County Sheriff's Office was established as the investigating agency.

On 6/13/2019, Detectives with the Benton County Sheriff's Office attended an autopsy at the State of Oregon Medical Examiner's Office.

Preliminary results of the autopsy indicate that the body was a white male, undetermined age, and had been in the Willamette River for two to three months, making a visual identification difficult. The male had been wearing a "Batman" T-shirt and an Oregon State University shirt. An indistinguishable tattoo was visible on the lower right area of the abdomen.

Initial examination of the body does not indicate obvious signs of trauma and the death does not appear to have been caused by observable homicidal violence. Toxicology results are pending but the results are not expected for several weeks or longer.

Benton County Sheriff's Office is investigating missing person's reports but have no immediate leads as to the identity of the male.

Anyone with information is asked to Contact Lt. Chris Duffitt of the Benton County Sheriff's Office at 541.766.6858.

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