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Event: Missing Person

Date: 10/26/09

Case No. 09-1191

Location: PLA II Rural Community

Media Release

On Sunday, October 25th at approximately 8:14 pm Mr. Dean Ericson was reported missing in the vicinity of SE Umatilla Loop, a rural community southeast of Prineville. Mr. Ericson had gone for a walk with his two dogs, but was not dressed for the weather and had possible medical problems. Crook County Sheriff's Deputies, with the assistance of the Oregon State Police, conducted a preliminary search of the area but were unable to locate Mr. Ericson. The dogs were located at approximately 11 pm on a road in the area and returned to his residence. The Crook County Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team was called out at approximately 6 am to conduct a more thorough search of the surrounding area. Mr. Ericson was located by a Sheriff's Office Deputy walking on a road in the area, shortly after Search and Rescue's arrival to the area. Mr. Ericson was returned to his residence and he was later evaluated by the Crook County Fire and Rescue.