

Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

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Date: 04-30-2014 From: Lt. Steve Knight

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Subject: Search and Rescue Case: 201401930

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 04-29-2014, at approximately 10:00 p.m., the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call from a pay phone in Johnny's RV Park, King Salmon. The male caller told the Sheriff's Office Dispatcher he just witnessed a man jump into Humboldt Bay. The caller said the man was walking a black lab on the beach, when the man suddenly yelled, "Lisa, I can't live without you", and jumped into the water. The caller told the dispatcher the black lab ran off after the man jumped into the water. The caller witnessed the man dive under water and watched him, waiting for the man to surface. The caller said the man was under water for two or three minutes and failed to resurface. The caller then decided to call 911 to get the man help. The caller refused to wait for deputies or give the dispatcher his name. The caller said he had warrants for his arrest, which is why he would not provide his name to the dispatcher.

Deputies and the United States Coast Guard responded to the King Salmon area and searched for the man who allegedly jumped in the water. A United States Coast Guard Helicopter also arrived and assisted in the search efforts. Searchers could not find a man in the water. They could also not find the caller, any witnesses or the black lab the caller had described.

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey Sheriff

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