



# Chelan County Sheriff's Office

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## **9-15-21 Update information for death investigation 21C09952:**

On Thursday, September 14, 2021 the King County Medical Examiner conducted a medical examination on the 25 year old Marysville, WA woman found on Stevens Pass near mile post 73 on Tuesday, September 7, 2021.

The Medical Examiner determined the 25 year old victim died of homicidal violence. The woman was identified and investigators are reaching out to her family members prior to releasing the identity of the victim. The Chelan County Sheriff's Office will continue to partner with federal, state, county and city agencies in order to thoroughly complete this homicide investigation.

If you believe you may have important information to share about this crime, please call the Chelan County tip line at 509-667-6845. The tip line was temporarily down at the time of first press release due to a Chelan County phone and voicemail system update but it is now working properly.

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Sheriff Brian Burnett reports on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at approximately 8:30 PM, a passing motorists on US Highway 2, Stevens Pass, in the Rock Mountain trail area, mile post 73, located a deceased person along the edge of the highway. Investigators from the Chelan County Sheriff's Office, Chelan County Coroner, Washington State Patrol, and Washington State Crime Lab responded and processed the scene, which is a remote area of US Highway 2, where there are no residences or businesses.

After a lengthy investigation at the scene, the deceased person was identified as a 25 year old female from Snohomish County. It is believed the female ended up at that location sometime early in the morning on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

This is being investigated as a suspicious death investigation but the cause of death has not been confirmed pending an official medical examination. There is no evidence to support a safety concern for Chelan County citizens or travelers in that area of US Highway 2 and believe it to be an isolated incident.

If anyone has information or saw something suspicious in this area or near that time period or has video surveillance of US Highway 2 between Coles Corner and the Stevens Pass Summit, you are encouraged to call the Chelan County Sheriff's Office Tip line at 509-667-6845. You can also go online to the Chelan County Sheriff's Office web page or click on the following link to submit a tip online. <https://www.co.chelan.wa.us/sheriff/forms/submit-a-tip>