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****UPDATE 1300 hours on August 18, 2025****

*****UPDATED DETAILS OF THE CRIME SCENE AND DNA RESULTS*****

As previously reported, on June 2, 2025 the bodies of Paityn, Evelyn and Olivia Decker were located near the Rock Island Campground along Icicle Creek. At that time, each victim was found with plastic bags over their head. Two of the victims each had two separate bags over their heads and the third victim had three separate bags over their head. In addition, several cable ties were located on the ground in the immediate area of the bodies. These plastic bags and cable ties were collected that night by the Washington State Patrol Crime Response Team. Chelan County Sheriff's Detectives submitted this evidence to the Washington State Crime Lab for DNA analysis. In early June, autopsies were completed and the Medical Examiner determined the cause of death for each victim was suffocation and the manner of death was homicide.

On August 6, 2025, the Washington State Crime Lab reported DNA profiles matching Travis Decker were found on the plastic bags that were covering each of his daughter's heads. DNA profiles matching Paityn, Evelyn and Olivia Decker were also located on the plastic bags. No other DNA profiles were obtained from the plastic bags. One DNA profile was obtained from the cable ties collected at the scene. That DNA sample matched the profile for Travis Decker. No other DNA profiles were obtained from the cable ties.

The completion of this DNA analysis provides additional evidence that indicates Travis Decker is the only suspect involved in committing these homicides.

Decker's whereabouts remain unknown. At this time, we do not have any evidence to suggest Travis Decker is either alive or deceased. The Chelan County Sheriff's Office continues to communicate with local, State and Federal law enforcement partners to coordinate continued search efforts.

The United States Marshals Service continues to offer a reward of up to \$20,000 for information leading directly to Travis Decker's arrest. The suspect should be considered armed and dangerous. If you see Travis Decker, please call 911 immediately and do not attempt to contact or approach him. Anyone with information is urged to contact the nearest U.S. Marshals office, the U.S. Marshals Service Communications Center at 1-800-336-0102, or USMS Tips at www.usmarshals.gov/tips.

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