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For the Yukon**

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Yukon Coroner's Service was advised of a boating fatality which had been reported to the RCMP shortly after 1200 am on Sunday, July 28. Carcross RCMP along with supports from members from the Whitehorse Detachment and Yukon Search and Rescue had located the damaged boat near the Tagish River Bridge. Two deceased individuals were found to be on board the boat along with one injured occupant, who was medevacked to Whitehorse General Hospital.

The deceased have been identified as 50 year-old Martin Claude PELLETIER who had been living in Tagish for the past few months and 26 year-old Candace Shantel GORDON of Whitehorse. Preliminary investigation indicates that the boat, belonging to Mr. PELLETIER, had collided with the Tagish River Bridge. Mr. PELLETIER had been driving the boat at the time of the incident.

Yukon Coroner's Service continues our investigation with the assistance of Carcross RCMP.

Yukon Coroner's Service extends our condolences to the families and friends of Mr. PELLETIER and Ms. GORDON.