

Yukon Coroner's Service confirms that the body found in Schwatka Lake on the afternoon of June 5, 2020 is that of 28 year-old Ayla SANDERS of Whitehorse. Ms. SANDERS was reported missing and had last been seen in the downtown area of Whitehorse on April 17, 2020. Since then an extensive search had been conducted with the hopes of finding her in good health.

Ms. SANDERS' family have been notified and a post mortem examination will be arranged to be held in Abbotsford to determine cause of death. Criminality is not believed to be a factor in Ayla's death.

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

We extend appreciation to all who took part in the search for Ayla and offer our sincere condolences to her family and friends at this difficult time.