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REMARKS:

Yukon Coroner's Service (YCS) is investigating the death of the snowmobiler who had been reported missing near Whitehorse on the morning of Monday, November 15th. The body was located in the Mt. Sima area shortly before noon on Tuesday, November 16th. It is understood that the snowmobiler had gone out onto the trails around 4 pm on Sunday, November 14th with the intention of only being out for a few hours. The snowmobile was found stuck in knee-deep snow and the deceased had walked away from the machine. The body was found approximately 3 kms from the machine and it appears that the individual likely succumbed to the elements. The cause of death will be determined as YCS's investigation continues with the assistance of the Whitehorse detachment of the RCMP.

The snowmobiler is identified as 39 year-old Lance Brett SCOLLEN of Nanaimo, B.C. Mr. SCOLLEN had been in the Yukon for just a short time prior to this unfortunate incident.

Yukon Coroner's Service extends our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mr. SCOLLEN.