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Yukon Coroner's Service was notified of a hunting related death which had occurred in the Champagne area during the early morning of Saturday, September 5, 2020. RCMP members and Conservation officers from both Haines Junction and Whitehorse attended along with Yukon Coroner's Service. It is understood that two hunters from Whitehorse had come across a lone bison and both were able to fire shots into the animal from a distance. The animal fell to the ground and one of the hunters walked toward the downed animal while the second hunter went back to get their all-terrain-vehicle. It is believed that when the hunter approached the downed bison it quickly became mobile and charged. The hunter was able to fire more shots into the bison but sustained fatal injuries from the charging animal. The bison succumbed to its injuries approximately 100 meters from where it had charged the hunter.

The deceased is identified as 43 year-old Terry Joseph Arthur STILL of Whitehorse. Mr. STILL along with his wife and a family friend had been hunting in the Champagne area since Friday evening.

Haines Junction RCMP and Yukon Government's Department of the Environment are assisting Yukon Coroner's Service with this investigation as it continues. We also extend our appreciation to Emergency Medical Services from both Whitehorse and Haines Junction.

Yukon Coroner's Service offers its sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mr. STILL.