Dead body found in retaining pond

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A dead body was discovered in a retaining pond at the Wastewater Treatment Plant on the west side of Gallup at 800 Sweetwater Place on April 13.

When Gallup Police officers arrived they were shown to the body by the man who called in the incident. It was on the north side of Sanostee Drive at the bottom of a retaining pond that is no longer in use.

The Gallup Fire Department assisted detectives in recovering the body.

The body was identified as that of Ferlin Yazzie, 35, of Yatahey, a Native American man. The investigation is ongoing.