

Update on bodies found in field

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Second name released

Police are still no closer to identifying the cause of death of the man and woman discovered in a field Jan. 17.

Gallup Police were dispatched to the area of Pershing Street and Grandview Avenue at 5:30 pm on that date.

The woman found there has been identified as Patricia Holtsoi, 62, of Gallup. The male has been identified as Duane Bates, 57 of Gallup. The relationship between the two is unknown.

While the Gallup Police Department says there are no signs of foul play, it is noted that there was snow in the area on Jan. 16.

However, until results come back from the Office of the Medical Investigator, no conclusions on cause of death will be announced.