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## WATER RESCUE AND SEARCH - FOX LAKE

The Dodge County Sheriff's Office, with assistance from various other agencies, is currently at the scene of a water rescue and search on Fox Lake.

Shortly before 12:30 PM on Thursday, April 21, 2022, the Dodge County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call reporting a canoe had capsized and two people were in the water, yelling for help, near the north shore of Fox Lake. First arriving deputies were able to determine at least one person was above the water, but a second victim could not be seen. An adult female, of rural Fox Lake, was recovered from the water and transported to an area hospital for treatment.

An active search remains underway for an adult male occupant of the canoe. The male is believed to be a resident of rural Fox Lake. The Town of Fox Lake boat launch on Blackhawk Trail is currently being used as a command post and staging area and public access to that landing is restricted.

Conditions on the lake are not suitable for canoe or kayak use due to high winds. Neither occupant was wearing a personal floatation device (PFD).

Assisting the Dodge County Sheriff's Office at the scene are the Fox Lake Police Department, WI Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Conservation Wardens, Fox Lake Fire Department and EMS, Beaver Dam Fire Department and Paramedics, and the Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Office Dive Team.

No additional information is available at this time.

Questions may be directed to Sheriff Dale J. Schmidt.

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