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HPD Continues Death Investigation

Harrisonburg, VA – The Harrisonburg Police Department (HPD) continues investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of a man that occurred over the weekend.

On Saturday, February 4 officers with HPD, along with members of the Harrisonburg Fire Department (HFD) received a call for service regarding a male who was found deceased in a wooded area, near the intersection of West Washington and Jefferson streets.

The man has been identified as Nicholas Ortega, Jr., 48, of Harrisonburg with no fixed address.

An autopsy will be performed by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to determine the exact cause of death. Detectives will also continue their investigation into the circumstances leading up to when Mr. Ortega was found.

At this point in the investigation it does not appear as though foul play was involved.

Anyone with information regarding this investigation is asked to contact HPD's Major Crimes Unit by calling (540) 437-2640. Those who wish to remain anonymous may call Crime Solvers at (540) 574-5050 or by texting "HPD" plus their tip to CRIMES (274637).

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