

## **NEWS RELEASE**

On Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at about 4:29 PM, Eureka Fire personnel responded to the Royal Inn in Eureka for a report of two unconscious and unresponsive adults. Fire personnel arrived and attempted to revive the two without success. At about 4:36 PM, the Eureka Police department was notified. Both officers and investigators responded.

Based on preliminary findings, it appeared both subjects died of an overdose. At this point of the investigation, no evidence has been found to suggest foul play, however the investigation is continuing. Much will be determined based on the results of a "cause of death" finding by the coroner's office.

The deceased were both Eureka residents. One of the deceased is 50 year old white male Eureka resident. The second deceased subject is a 52 year old white female Eureka resident.

Anyone with information about these deaths should contact Senior Investigator Ron Harpham at 441-4305.

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