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NEWS RELEASE

APD NEWS RELEASE:

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Incident: Update - Man with Serious Injuries located in Mill Lake Park

Abbotsford – March 29, 2012.

The medical condition of the 30 year old assault victim continues to improve. Our investigation is advancing but we continue to seek information from witnesses and others. APD Major Crime detectives have a particular interest in speaking with 3 people who were in the area and were approached by the citizen who discovered the injured man:

The first is a man who was approached in the area of South Fraser Way before 4 am and told there was a body in Mill Lake Park. The man responded "Well, you better call the police then."

The second and third were together in a vehicle that was flagged down shortly thereafter. The man and woman in the vehicle drove into the park area. The woman called 911 from a payphone.

Investigators would like to speak to all three of these individuals.

Anyone with information about this incident or any of the persons involved should call the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Original Release Below:

In Mill Lake Park at 4:00 am this morning a citizen located a 30 year old man suffering from numerous injuries. Police, fire and ambulance were called and responded immediately. The injured man was assessed and assisted at scene before being transported to hospital. The Abbotsford Police Patrol Division, Major Crime Unit and Forensic Identification Unit are investigating the incident.

Although the investigation is in the early stages, we believe that the man was with a group of individuals when the incident took place. For that reason we are appealing for them to contact

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the APD. Our investigators will be working to identify those who witnessed or were involved in the assault that has left this man in serious condition.

There will be areas of the park with limited access as the investigation continues in daylight through the morning hours.

Updates will be provided as more information becomes available.

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