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Discovery of Human Remains at Lake Mead Being Investigated as Homicide

On May 1, 2022 at approximately 5:45 p.m., the National Park Service notified the LVMPD of the discovery of a barrel containing human remains at Lake Mead National Recreation Area. Detectives from the LVMPD Homicide Section responded and took over the investigation.

“We believe this is a homicide as a result of a gunshot wound,” said Homicide Section Lt. Ray Spencer. Detectives believe the victim was killed sometime in the mid ‘70s to early ‘80s, based on clothing and footwear the victim was found with. Investigators are currently working to identify the victim. This is an ongoing investigation.

No interviews or further information will be provided at this time.

The identification of the victim will be released by the Clark County Coroner’s Office when it becomes available.

Anyone with any information about this incident is urged to contact the LVMPD Homicide Section by phone at 702-828-3521, or by email at homicide@lvmpd.com. To remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 702-385-5555, or on the internet at www.crimestoppersofnv.com.

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