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## **SEARCH & RESCUE RECOVERS BODY** **Hikers report finding a body on the Uncompahgre**

Mesa County, Colorado—From the trailhead of the Dominguez Canyon high atop the Uncompahgre plateau, yesterday afternoon hikers were just over one mile into the trail when they spotted a body. The hikers immediately reported it to law enforcement and deputies responded to the area when the call came into dispatch, but decided there wasn't enough daylight for a body recovery yesterday.

Four Search and Rescue members responded to the trail this morning with deputies, the Mesa County Coroner's Office, and a U.S. Bureau of Land Management Ranger. The Search and Rescue members removed the body of what is believed to be an adult from a remote area of Dominguez Canyon (south end).

The identity, as well as cause and manner of death will be determined by the Mesa County Coroner. At this time, the Sheriff's Investigators are working this case as an unattended death, and do not believe this body is associated with any missing person cases. No further information will be released pending the Coroner's report.

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