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Cumberland County RCMP Investigates

Fatal Boating Incident

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USPA NEWS - A fatal boating incident at Oak Island in the Northumberland Strait is under investigation by Cumberland County District RCMP, the second such incident in two days, resulting in three fatalities.

On June 30th, at approximately 10:40 p.m., RCMP, fire services, and EHS responded to a report of a person being ejected from a boat. The investigation revealed that five people were on a vessel that ran aground near Oak Island, off the shore of Wallace Bay. One of the passengers, a 24-year-old Wallace man, was thrown from the vessel and sustained life-threatening injuries.

Fire services transported the man to the wharf in Wallace, where medical professionals made every effort to save his life, unfortunately, he was pronounced deceased. The operator of the boat, a 19-year-old Wallace Station man, is cooperating with authorities and has been released pending further investigation, allowing for a thorough review of the circumstances.

Cumberland County District RCMP is grateful for the invaluable support from the Nova Scotia Medical Examiner Service, Transport Canada, and the Canadian Coast Guard as this investigation continues.

Together we can make a difference, anyone with information that will support this investigation is asked to contact the Cumberland County District RCMP at 902-447-2525. To remain anonymous, call Nova Scotia Crime Stoppers toll-free at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), submit a secure web tip at www.crimestoppers.ns.ca, or use the P3 Tips app.

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