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## **Media Release**

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Re: Law Enforcement Presence at Lake Jovita

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Based on several media requests, Sheriff Al Nienhuis would like to verify that the Hernando County Sheriff's Office is currently working on one of hundreds of very ambiguous leads in the Jennifer Odom Homicide. The lead stated that there might be evidence related to this case in Lake Jovita and led us to work jointly with the Pasco Sheriff's Office and the FBI in recovering that possible evidence. It is important to note that this is one of hundreds and hundreds of leads that have been, and continue to be, worked in this case.

At this time it is unknown if the evidence is related to any investigation either agency is working; however, it will be recovered to ascertain its origin and possible relevance to this or any other crime.

Sheriff Al Nienhuis said, "We have been working several different angles on this case since I assigned a detective full time to this investigation. We are, of course, hopeful that this is the break in this case that we have been waiting for. Unfortunately, it will be some time before we can even determine if this operation yields evidence of a crime and even longer to determine if there will be evidence useful to us in this particular case."

The investigation is ongoing/open; therefore, no further information can be released at this time.