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Police Investigate Fire and Suspicious Death in Mission Bay Park Neighborhood

San Diego – Early this morning, at approximately 2:53 a.m., the San Diego Police Communications Center received a call from a concerned citizen regarding a brush fire that was burning along the north side of Friars Road west of Napa Street. As officers were responding to the location, they were updated that there possibly was a body on the ground within the fire. Officers from Western Division and personnel from the San Diego Fire Rescue Department responded and arrived within minutes. Upon arriving, Fire Department personnel extinguished the fire. During that time, officers located what appeared to be a deceased female on the ground.

Due to the suspicious nature of the fire and the death of the female, Detectives from the San Diego Police Homicide Unit and the Metro Arson Strike Team responded to the location and assumed responsibility for the investigation.

Due to the extensive damage from the fire, information about the female's identity or any possible injuries is very limited. It is still very early in the investigation and little is known about the cause of the fire and the circumstances leading up to the female's death. Detectives are in the process of collecting evidence from the scene and are asking for the public's assistance with this investigation. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531–2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580–8477.

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