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Body Found in Otay Valley Regional Park Identified

San Diego – A body recovered from the Otay Valley Regional Park on May 15, 2026, has been identified as 15-year-old Julian Guerrero Vasquez of San Diego.

On May 14, 2026, at about 6:30 a.m., San Diego Police responded to a report of a runaway juvenile in the 800 block of Harris Ave., San Diego. Guerrero Vasquez was last seen by family on May 14, 2026, at around midnight. When his family went to check on him in the morning, he was no longer in the house and police were called.

Officers were told where Guerrero Vasquez normally frequents and began checking several locations, however, they were unable to locate him. A report was taken, and his name and picture were added to the log for missing juveniles.

On May 15, 2026, at approximately 9 a.m., detectives called family to see if Guerrero Vasquez had returned, but he had not.

At approximately 11:40 a.m., family and church members flagged down officers at 2100 Beyer Blvd. stating they had found a body floating in a pond in the Otay Valley Regional Park. Officers responded and confirmed there was a body. The family was removed from the near location while San Diego Fire-Rescue personnel were called to extract the body. At the time of extraction from the water, officers did not observe any signs of physical trauma on Guerrero Vasquez.

The Medical Examiner's Office responded to collect the body of Guerrero Vasquez and confirmed his identity on May 18, 2026.

The Medical Examiner's Office will continue their investigation into the cause of death.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to call the San Diego County Medical Examiner's Office at 858-694-2895.

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