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#### Ryan B. Silsby: Death Investigation

Ravalli County Sheriff/Coroner Chris Hoffman, today released the results of his office's investigation into the death of Ryan Boyd Silsby.

The 25 year old Missoula Resident who was last seen on August 16<sup>th</sup>, was found at the base of a climbing feature on the south side of Blodgett Canyon, approximately one half mile from the trailhead, on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

Hoffman said that according to investigators, it was obvious that Mr. Silsby had fallen from a climbing route, landing in a rocky area below the cliff, and that his death had been instantaneous, and most likely occurred on August 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Silsby's death has been ruled Accidental, due to Blunt Force Injuries.

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