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“Police Investigate Body Found on Riverbank”

On March 9, 2016 at approximately 3:30 p.m. officers from the Morgantown Police Department responded to the Monongahela River Bank approximately 200 yards north of the Walnut Street boat ramp for a reported body. Officers met with two fisherman who reported finding the person face down in the water while they were fishing on the river.

Officers were able to verify that there was a deceased person in the water. Police Detectives the Medical Examiner and Fire Department Personnel were summoned to process the scene. Due to the steep terrain in the area where the body was located, a boat operated by the Morgantown Fire Department was utilized to recover the body.

At this time there does not appear to be any signs of foul play, however, with all unattended deaths the scene was processed and detectives will await the results of an autopsy for the official cause of death.

The name of the victim is not being released until after notification of the next of kin.

Anyone with any information can contact the Morgantown Detective Division at (304) 284-7522

The Morgantown Police Department is committed to its goal of eliminating crime in our city. Citizens are encouraged to become a **“Partner in Policing”**, by reporting suspected criminal activity to Morgantown Police Department Switchboard at (304) 284-7522. If you need immediate Police attention or a crime is in progress call 911.

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