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## Investigators Seek Public's Help in Identifying Deceased Male Found off Newport Coast

**SANTA ANA, Calif.** - (January 2, 2014) – On Tuesday, December 24, 2013, Orange County Sheriff's Department investigators began a death investigation after the body of an unidentified male was located floating approximately one mile off the Newport Beach coast area of Crystal Cove. The body was initially located by a commercial fisherman who contacted the Sheriff's Department.

The male subject was wearing dark-colored, nylon "Champion" sweatpants with zippered legs, size 11, black Asics running shoes and a black "Timex" watch with a plastic band. The victim's age and race is unknown and believed to be approximately 5 feet, 9 inches tall, 165 pounds with dark colored hair.

Since recovery of the body, Sheriff's Investigators have yet to identify the subject and are seeking the public's help. Anyone with information is asked to call the Orange County Sheriff's Department investigators at (714) 647-7044 / (714) 647-7000. Anonymous tips may also be submitted to Orange County Crime Stoppers at 855-TIP-OCCS (855-847-6227) or at occrimestoppers.org.



