

YOLO COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE

Re:	Body of Missing Woman Found in Capay Valley
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Yolo County Sheriff's Department personnel found the body tentatively identified as Chee Tse, an elderly woman who has been missing since last Wednesday in the Capay Valley. After a three day massive search of the area, she was found Sunday night at the southeastern edge of the Cache Creek Casino property in Brooks.

The Coroner's Section of the Sheriff's Department has placed a tentative identification of the remains based on the circumstances, and the family has been notified. Chee Tse, a 77 year old resident of San Francisco, was pronounced dead at 2037 hours, on July 6, 2008. A forensic autopsy will be performed later this afternoon to help determine the cause and manner of death.

Chee Tse left her home on Tuesday, July 1st at 0800 hours for a planned trip to the casino. She was last seen on Wednesday, July 2nd at 1700 hours, walking eastbound on Highway 16 heading away from the casino. The Yolo County Sheriff's Department was notified that Ms. Tse was missing on Friday, July 4th at 1730 hours. Search and rescue efforts were launched shortly thereafter.

At that time Sheriff Deputies, assisted by the Rumsey Rancheria Department and Guinda Fire Department, began a thorough search of the area. On Saturday morning, July 5th, resources were increased to include a wide spread collaborative effort of multiple agencies and volunteers using ground and air search, mounted posse, search and tracking dogs. On Sunday, July 6th, over sixty people were involved in the massive search for the missing woman, which included the Yolo County Sheriff's Department, along with assistance from other agencies in the Sacramento region and as far away as Contra Costa County.

Yolo County Sheriff E. G. Prieto stated, "We've had highly qualified and dedicated people, in a major search operation, looking for Ms. Tse over the last three days hoping to find her alive. Many were volunteers. My sympathy goes out to the Tse family."