

Body found in Jackson Co identified

**(KNZA)--A body found Sunday in Jackson County has been identified as that of the missing man authorities had been searching for.**

**Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse on Monday identified the body as that of 51-year-old Brian Wood, of Netawaka.**

**Wood was last seen November 26 near 266th Road and U.S. 75 Highway. He had been suffering from a severe leg infection and was believed to be disoriented.**

**After conducting several searches in the immediate and surrounding wooded areas, the Sheriff's Office asked for the public's help finding Wood on November 21.**

**On Sunday, family members, friends, neighbors and emergency personnel gathered as a search party. They located clothing on the west side of Highway 75 about one mile north of 266th Road, which led to the discovery of Wood's body late Sunday morning inside a large culvert that runs underneath the highway.**

**An autopsy has been ordered to determine the cause of death.**

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