

Body found near Faucett identified

(KNZA)--Authorities have released the name of the woman whose body was found in a duffel bag alongside a road in southern Buchanan County, Missouri.

Buchanan County Sheriff Bill Puett on Friday identified the victim as 21-year-old Ariel Anne-Rae Starcher, of Independence, Missouri.

Deputies are investigating Starcher's death as a homicide.

A Missouri Department of Transportation worker spotted the duffel bag on Tuesday, just west of Faucett near Missouri Highway 371, and contacted authorities.

An autopsy was ordered. The investigation continues.

Anyone with information about Starcher's death is asked to call investigation's division at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office at 816-236-8845 or 816-238-TIPS (8477).

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