

# Flaming Gorge Drowning Victim Identified

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In a special joint release Monday, Sweetwater County Sheriff Mike Lowell and County Coroner Dale Majhanovich identified the victim of the weekend drowning on Flaming Gorge as Lance Heninger, 48, of North Ogden, Utah.

Lowell said Heninger and two companions, Carson West, also of North Ogden, and Scott Gorder of Ogden, were fishing from Gorder's boat late Saturday afternoon about 3½ miles southeast of Buckboard Marina when the mishap occurred.

The three men launched their boat from Buckboard early Saturday morning and were competing in the Ducks Unlimited Fishing Derby. They were last known to be fishing in the Big Bend Area.



When the men had not returned to a residence in Manila as planned by late Saturday night, concerned family and friends checked the parking lot at Buckboard and there found their pickup and empty boat trailer. It was then, around midnight, that the Sheriff's Office was notified.

Lowell said Corporal Steve Powell and Deputy Sheriff Chris Sutton of the Sheriff's Office Marine Unit, accompanied by Colter

Kofoed, a Sheriff's Office intern, left Buckboard aboard the Sheriff's Office patrol boat, which is kept docked there, and commenced a search. At about 1:30 AM, the deputies found West on the Gorge's east shore. 15 minutes later