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UPDATE: Skeletal remains identified as El Dorado man

MITCHELL COUNTY – The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI), along with the Cloud County Sheriff's Office and the Mitchell County Sheriff's Office, have identified the human skeletal remains that were located in April, along the Mitchell and Cloud County line.

Due to the advanced decomposition of the recovered remains, positive identification was challenging. DNA extracted from the remains was compared to DNA samples obtained from probable family members. The DNA profiles closely matched, resulting in his identification.

The deceased individual was identified as 40-year-old Waylon Fort, of El Dorado, Kan. The investigation into Fort's death did not reveal evidence of foul play.

The investigative findings will be submitted to the Cloud County Attorney's Office and the Mitchell County Attorney's Office for review.

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Skeletal remains located along Mitchell and Cloud County line

MITCHELL COUNTY – The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) is investigating after human skeletal remains were located along the Mitchell and Cloud County line.

On Monday morning, April 26, just before noon, the KBI was asked by the Mitchell County Sheriff's Office and the Cloud County Sheriff's Office to investigate after they located human skeletal remains near Highway 9 and County Road 757, east of Beloit, Kan. KBI agents and the Crime Scene Response Team responded.

The Mitchell County Sheriff's Office and the Cloud County Sheriff's Office began searching the area on Monday morning after a resident notified law enforcement at about 10:25 a.m. that they had found a human bone. Authorities made the discovery of the remains soon after.

The KBI is working to determine what caused the person's death. The remains have not yet been positively identified.

The investigation is ongoing. No further information will be released at this time.

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