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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: SAR- Beach Road From: Sgt. Josh Dryden Date: December 3, 2020 Case or Incident: 20-000182

SUMMARY:

On December 2, 2020 at approximately 1317, we received a report of a large land slide occurring in the Beach Road extension area. Haines Borough Police Department assisted the Alaska State Troopers, the Haines Volunteer Fire Department, Haines Harbor Master and civilian volunteers in evacuating several residents of the Beach Road extension area. Haines residents, 23 year old Jenae Larson and 30 year old David Simmons have not been accounted for. The search was suspended last night due to lack of day light. Searches resumed on Thursday morning with the additional assistance from the Army National Guard, United States Coast Guard, SEADOGS, Juneau Mountain Rescue, Alaska State Parks and Capital City Fire Rescue.

Please direct all information requests regarding this case to the Public Information Officer, Alekka Fullerton, (afullerton@haines.ak.us)

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