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Shooting at Folsom Lake State Recreation Area Determined to be Self-inflicted

The shooting incident involving a 53-year-old man at the Granite Bay unit of Folsom Lake State Recreation Area on Wednesday, September 21 has been determined to be self-inflicted.

Mike Doyle, 53, of Loomis, called 911 on his cell phone and reported that he had been shot while loading his kayak into his vehicle after paddling on the lake. Doyle drove himself to the park entrance where he awaited medical attention. Placer County Sheriff's Deputies, State Park Peace Officers and South Placer Fire District responded to the scene.

Once on scene, officers found Doyle with what appeared to be a gunshot wound to the back. Doyle was transported to Sutter Roseville hospital where he was treated.

During their investigation, officers located evidence that lead them to believe the gunshot wound may have been self-inflicted. Park officials kept the park closed while investigators attempted to locate the origin of the shooting. At approximately 9:00 am Thursday, September 22, the location of the shooting was identified and a weapon was recovered.

Following an intensive investigation and analysis of the evidence found at both scenes investigators determined that the gunshot wound was self-inflicted.

After being moved from ICU Doyle was questioned by investigators about the incident and admitted to shooting himself.

State Parks will be forwarding their report to the Placer County District Attorney's Office who will determine if Doyle should be charged with a crime.

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