IIU | INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION UNIT OF MANITOBA

July 15, 2026
Case Number: 2026-0026

IIU investigating drowning in Fisher River

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating the death of a male following an attempted arrest by the Manitoba First Nation Police Service (MFNPS).

On July 15, MFNPS reported an incident to the IIU that occurred on July 14, at about 9:30 p.m. According to the notification, MFNPS officers were dispatched to an assault call involving an intoxicated male attempting to enter the home of a family member. The male was located on the roadway and officers advised him he was under arrest. He fled on foot toward Goldeye Creek. Officers located the male near the shoreline and directed him to return to shore, but he continued deeper r into the water. The male became distressed and began yelling for help. Officers immediately began rescue efforts and pulled him to shore, where he was unconscious and no breathing. Life-saving measures continued and emergency responders were requested. Despite their efforts, the male was pronounced deceased.

The IIU has assumed responsibility for this investigation in accordance with Section 65(1) of the Police Services Act.

Witnesses or anyone with information or video footage that may assist this investigation are asked to contact the IIU toll-free at 1-844-667-6060.

The investigation is ongoing. No further details will be provided at this time.

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