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Media Release

TRAINING EXERCISE SIMULATING A BUS ROLL OVER WITH MASS CASUALTIES

PARK COUNTY, COLO - On Saturday June 30, 2018 starting at about 6:00 am, Park County Coroner's Office will be conducting a training exercise on North US Hwy 285 near Como at about mile marker 190. *Members of the public should not be alarmed by the presence of emergency vehicles and "victims" being carried or observed on the ground.* Staging for the exercise will begin at about 6:00 am. The actual exercise is expected to begin at about 8:00 am and conclude by midafternoon.

The scenario will consist of a tourist bus rolling over in a ravine resulting in casualties. The "victims" will be mannequins. At about 8:00 am the 911 Communications Center will initiate the incident by contacting responding agencies. The team will respond to the scene to test the overall plan, preparedness for a portable morgue operation in a field situation, and examine operability of different disciplines and agencies in a mass fatality incident.

The Park County Coroner's Office would like to thank the following agencies for their participation:

Amateur Radio Emergency Service
Colorado State Patrol
El Paso County Coroner's Office
Fremont County Coroner's Office
Hartsel Fire Protection District
Jefferson-Como Fire Protection District
Lake County Coroner's Office
Lake George Fire Protection District
North-West Fire Protection District
Park County Emergency Management & Operation Center
South Park Ambulance District
Southern Park County Fire & EMS Protection District
Summit County Coroner's Office
911 Communications Center

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