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Comox Valley RCMP search rural property for evidence of a missing youth reported over eighteen years ago.

On December 6th and 7th members of the Comox Valley RCMP Detachment, with the assistance of a Forensic Identification Specialist from Headquarters conducted a search of a rural property in Royston, B.C. The search was prompted by a tip from the public that was received after the September 2011 press conference held in regards to the 1993 disappearance of 14 year old Lindsey NICHOLLS. The search was conducted with the cooperation of the current property owner. There is absolutely no link between the current owner and the owner of the property in the early 1990's. The cooperation provided by the current owner was tremendously helpful in enabling the search to be conducted. No additional information was obtained as a result of the extensive search of the property.

Judy Peterson, Lindsey's mother was aware that the RCMP was conducting the search and provided the following comments about the most recent information involving the investigation. *"This has been a very difficult week, but it means so much to our family that so much effort went into following up on this tip. We would like to thank the team Paul West put together. They worked so hard on this search, and I know it wouldn't be easy - emotionally or physically."*

"We are so very grateful to the person who had the courage to come forward with this information. I only hope that anyone who can add anything about Lindsey's disappearance would do the same."

"The dedicated members of my team will continue to take the lead on this missing persons case and would like to point out that the Comox Valley RCMP remain committed to this investigation. Eighteen years has passed since Lindsey's disappearance, and we will continue to pursue information that is brought to our attention." Sgt. Paul West.

Anyone with information regarding the disappearance of Lindsey NICHOLLS is asked to contact Sgt. Paul WEST of the Comox Valley RCMP at 250-338-1321 or Crimestoppers at 1-800-242-TIPS or 1-800-242-8477.

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