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To: All Media Outlets

From: Jennifer Hansen, Public Information Officer

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Source: Mono County Sheriff Search and Rescue Team (SAR)

Subject: Aid to a Cross County Walker

On Saturday January 28, 2012, the Mono County Sheriff Search and Rescue (SAR) Team responded in aid of a cross country walker. Colin Skinner, 46, from Walmer, England has been on a walk from North Dakota to San Francisco in support of the National Hospice Foundation. Last week, he walked through Bishop and visited the local hospice there. While snowshoeing across the Sierra through Yosemite National Park, he had problems with wet clothing and frostbitten feet, and contacted Yosemite rangers at their winter cabin. The SAR Team was dispatched on Saturday at approximately 6:00 PM and began planning the rescue. Two members went up Hwy 120 West with snowmobiles to scout the conditions. On Sunday morning, January 29, the Team drove snowmobiles to the Park entrance station, where Mr. Skinner had been moved by Yosemite rangers, and transported him down to the waiting Mono County Paramedics, who transported him to Mammoth Hospital for treatment..