



ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: 03/10/2015 INCIDENT TIME: 13:10
INCIDENT LOCATION: Rice Lake Dam & Boat Landing; 4600 Rice Lake Dam Road

INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED: (Refer to News Media Policy-Rules III A.1 Thru 4: Procedures B.1, A thru J & 1; 2b, 3b; g & h, 4a, b, & c)

Name: Weckman, William Age: 60 Address: 5797 N Shore Dr; Duluth, MN 55804
Name: Age: Address:

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

The St. Louis County Sheriff's Office responded to Rice Lake to investigate a report of a vehicle through the ice. William Weckman was attempting to drive off of the lake when his 2004 Kia Sedona van broke through the ice approximately 200' from the public access landing. The vehicle was submerged in approximately 3' of water. Weckman was not injured. He remained with his vehicle until rescued with assistance of the St. Louis County Sheriff's Volunteer Rescue Squad. Weckman's vehicle was retrieved from the lake with assistance of Lake City Towing.

With the unusually mild temperatures, the Sheriff's Office reminds all water surface users of the hazards associated with thin ice. See <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/safety/ice/index.html>

ASSISTING AGENCIES:

St. Louis County Sheriff's Volunteer Rescue Squad, Rice Lake VFD, Gold Cross Ambulance

AUTHORITY: Deputy Pat Olson DATE: 03/10/2015 TIME: 15:30

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

AUTHORITY: _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____