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Authorities searching for missing person near Fort Rice

Mandan, N.D. – The Morton County Sheriff's Department is searching for a possible drowning victim near the Fort Rice boat ramp south of Mandan. A boater along the Missouri River called 911 yesterday morning when he came upon an idling boat that was in gear along the shore.

Authorities have confirmed that the missing person, age 57, of Mandan last made contact with his family around 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday as he was fishing along the Missouri River. His boat was found around 8:15 a.m. Thursday south of the Fort Rice boat dock. The Morton County Sheriff's Department, assisted by the ND Highway Patrol and ND Game and Fish Department, searched the area by land, water and air throughout the day. Today, the ND Game and Fish Department will use its sonar equipment to assist in the search.

The case remains under investigation. If anyone has any information, please contact the Morton County Sheriff's Department at (701) 667-3330.

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