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MEDIA ADVISORY: Overdue Hiker- Update

Members of the Fresno County Sheriff's Department's Search And Rescue Unit continue to search for the overdue hiker in eastern Fresno County.

Charles Hench (49) of Cambria, left Edison Lake in Fresno County on September 18th. He was scheduled to arrive at Pine Creek in Inyo County on September 22nd.

When Hench failed to show up at Pine Creek, a search was initiated by Inyo County officials who requested assistance from Fresno.

As many as 30 deputies and volunteers, assisted by the Eagle One helicopter, are searching the area between Edison Lake and the eastern Fresno County line.

A map is attached that shows Hench's route.

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact the Fresno County Sheriff's Department at 488-3111.