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## PRESS RELEASE GARFIELD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

### **Garfield County, Colorado;**

Garfield County Sheriff's Office and Garfield County Search and Rescue received a call on Saturday, March 14th, 2009 regarding an injured snowmobiler. Robert Brownlee, age 51 was near Bison Lake, just north west of Carbonate in the Flattop Mountains when he was injured while snowmobiling with friends. The original 911 call was received by Grand County dispatchers, then re-routed to Garfield County at approximately 4:00 pm. Garfield County Search and Rescue coordinated with Sheriff's Deputies and Care Flight to update GPS coordinates. Mr. Brownlee was moved from the scene of the accident to a nearby cabin owned by friends. The reporting party requested to have Mr. Brownlee picked up by helicopter since the location was approximately 35 miles by snowmobile away from ground response. Mr. Brownlee had to be moved approximately 1/2 mile to the loading zone, and was taken to Valley View Hospital in Glenwood Springs, CO by helicopter.