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**Sheriff's Detectives Identify Body Found in California Aqueduct**

**STANISLAUS COUNTY, CA-** Sheriff's Detectives have identified the body found in the California Aqueduct on Wednesday March 21, 2007. Randall Clay JOHNSON was identified by the many tattoos on his body. JOHNSON was from the Southern California area and had been arrested several times. During his arrest, JOHNSON's tattoos were entered into computer systems of several law enforcement agencies in Southern California, which Sheriff's Detectives used to identify him.

Two fishermen found JOHNSON's body in the California Aqueduct Wednesday at about 3:00 PM near Orestimba Road, west of Newman. Detectives say the body could have been in the water for 1 to 3 weeks.

JOHNSON is originally from Southern California, but has been living in South Modesto, Oakdale and Tracy for the past several months. Detectives are calling JOHNSON's death suspicious, and are asking if anybody had seen or heard from him recently to contact the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department.

Anyone with information about this case is encouraged to contact Detective Jon McQueary at (209) 525-7099. Callers can also leave an anonymous tip by calling Crime Stoppers at (209) 521-4636 and be eligible for a cash reward.

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