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Bellingham man dies on Mount Pilchuck

Search and rescue volunteers and sheriff's deputies recovered the body of a hiker Wednesday morning who apparently fell over a 300-foot cliff on Mount Pilchuck.

The 29-year-old Bellingham man was hiking with three friends on Tuesday afternoon when he became separated from them as they were headed back down Mount Pilchuck Trail. His friends waited for him at the trailhead for awhile before calling authorities about 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Volunteers searched throughout the night and found the man's body about 7:30 a.m. today on the north side of the mountain, quite a ways from the trail he'd been on with friends. His body was found at the base of the 300-foot cliff.

The Snohomish County Sheriff's Office helicopter, Snohawk 10, was used to recover the man's body from the mountain.

The Snohomish County Medical Examiner's Office will confirm identification as well as cause and manner of death.

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