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NEWS RELEASE

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Title: Beware of "River Bottles", Notify Law Enforcement Personnel Immediately

IMPORTANT: Please direct any media requests to the contact above. Do not contact the Garfield County Emergency Communications Center or Patrol staff for media requests.

GARFIELD COUNTY, CO. –

Over the past week, residents of Garfield, Eagle, and Pitkin Counties have encountered an influx of bottles turning up on river banks. The bottles are similar in size to a water bottle but are easily recognizable as they have all been mostly encapsulated in duct tape.

In most instances, the bottles have been filled with a blue or purple liquid and a paper-like substance. The contents of the bottles are corrosive and flammable; furthermore, **the contents are hazardous to human health.**

If encountered, do not move, touch, or open the bottles. Instead, note the location and immediately contact your local law enforcement representatives.

Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

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