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Missing girls found in mine; one dead

CHLORIDE — A 13-year-old girl who went missing while riding an all-terrain vehicle was found dead in a mine shaft, while her 10-year-old companion was rescued with serious injuries early Sunday, authorities said.

A rope team descended into the vertical shaft, where the teen was found dead, sheriff's spokeswoman Sandy Edwards said. Efforts were under way to remove her body.

Edwards did not know how the girls got into the mine. She also did not know the girls' relationship.

The pair went missing about 7 p.m. Saturday and never came back. Officials discovered they were in the shaft about 6:20 a.m. in Chloride.

The 10-year-old girl had "major injuries" and was being transported to University Medical Center in Las Vegas.