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Fernie: Elk Valley RCMP are now releasing the names of the victims of the tragic avalanche that took the lives of 7 Sparwood residents and leaves one snowmobiler still unaccounted for.

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Kane Rusnak (30)

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Danny Bjarnason (28)

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Search & Rescue operations have begun for the day. There will be an initial set of explosives to set off small avalanches which will stabilize the slopes before searchers will head into the area. Hopes are high that the search will be successful, and the 8th missing snowmobiler's body will be found.

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