2 El Dorado County men face manslaughter charges in teen's death

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Two El Dorado County men were arrested Monday and are facing felony manslaughter charges in connection with the drug-related death of a Pollock Pines teen.

Jesse Howard Roberts, 21, and Elijah Lee Richter, 20, both of Camino, were arrested and booked into El Dorado County jail on felony charges of involuntary manslaughter, the El Dorado Sheriff's Office announced.

According to a news release from the sheriff's office, Alejandro Nunez Avila, 15, is believed to have voluntarily ingested a hallucinogenic drug sometime late Saturday or early Sunday.

Authorities responded to a Pollock Pines residence where they unsuccessfully tried to revive Avila, according to the release. Avila was transported to Marshall Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Authorities say they learned during their subsequent investigation that Avila had invested a new drug developed in Germany called 2-CB, 2-Cl or 2-5Bomb. It is clear in color and can be in liquid or powder form.