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WEEKLY UPDATE: JCSO officer-involved shooting investigation

BRINNON, Wash. – The below weekly update is in reference to the Washington State Patrol (WSP) Independent Investigation Team (IIT) investigation of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) officer-involved shooting that occurred on Sept. 23, 2022:

There are no new updates at this time.

Background: Washington State Patrol (WSP), Mason County Sheriff's Office (MCSO), and Grays Harbor County Sheriff's Office (GHSO) detectives responded to the Brinnon Community Center (306144 U.S. Highway 101) on Friday, Sept. 23, 2022, to investigate an officer-involved shooting involving JCSO.

Investigators determined the following through civilian witnesses, witness officers, dispatch CAD notes, and physical evidence collected at the scene:

- JCSO deputies advised dispatch of shots fired near the community center at 2:44 p.m.
- Two JCSO deputies fired their duty weapons during the incident.
- Responding deputies rendered aid to an injured male until medics arrived.
- A handgun not belonging to JCSO deputies was located near the injured man.

The injured man, identified as Timothy C. Conner, 49, of Bremerton, was airlifted to Harborview Medical Center in Seattle where he was pronounced deceased the same day.

The involved JSCO deputies were identified as Sergeant Ryan Menday and Detective Brian Anderson.

This update is required in compliance with WAC 139-12, which mandates weekly updates be sent out by the lead investigative agency in investigations where a Washington State Peace Officer uses deadly force in the capacity of his or her law enforcement duties. These updates are required even if no new information is available at the time of the update.

Previous press releases can be found at https://www.wsp.wa.gov/independent-investigation-team/.

With the passage of <u>Washington State Initiative 940</u> in 2018, and <u>Substitute House Bill 1064</u> in 2019, incidents where the use of deadly force by a peace officer results in death, substantial bodily harm, or great bodily harm require an independent investigation. This investigation must be conducted in the same manner as a criminal investigation and state law now requires an "independent investigation" completely independent of the involved agency.

Per WAC 139-12, the IIT is unable to release any criminal history related to the individual, which includes the circumstances surrounding the initial contact, which prompted the law enforcement response. This information can only be released if specifically requested by the media, and is able to be released consistent with the Public Records Act Chapter 42.56 RCW.

Weekly update will be provided as the investigation continues. The policies and operating procedures of the IIT are available to the public at: https://www.wsp.wa.gov/independent-investigation-team/.

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