



News Release

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Headline: Officer Involved Shooting in Thurston County – Weekly Update

Details: On September 3, 2020, shortly before 7pm, TCSO was notified of an officer involved shooting that occurred in the 7600 block of 3rd Way SE in unincorporated Thurston County near Lacey. This incident involved members of the Pacific Northwest Violent Offender Taskforce led by the US Marshals Service.

Update: The Region 3 CIIT continues to diligently work on this case, and it is anticipated that this case may take several months to complete. As mentioned in the previous media release, we have confirmed that the deceased had a semi-automatic handgun in his possession at the time of the incident. We are still working to determine if this firearm was fired during this incident or what actions were taken by the deceased with this firearm. Our team hopes to have statements completed by the involved officers this week and will have answers to some of these questions.

Our team is closely following the legal regulations related to I-940, WAC 139-12, in this investigation to ensure that we conduct an independent and transparent investigation. We are working closely with our community representatives in this case. We understand the desire for additional information in this case; however we want to be diligent in our investigation to ensure that we are only providing details that we have proven to be credible.

Anyone who witnessed this incident or has video of any portion of this incident, and has not been contacted by LE, is encouraged to contact the TCSO lead investigator, Det. Hamilton, by email at mickey.hamilton@co.thurston.wa.us.

Further information into this case will be submitted weekly in a media release.