



News Release

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Headline: Officer Involved Shooting in Mountain Aire

Details: On January 21, 2020, at approximately 5:25am, TCSO deputies were dispatched to a report of a male outside of a residence in the 7800 block of Mountain Aire Dr SE in unincorporated Thurston County near Lacey. The adult male was known to the caller, who reported that the male was at the location in violation of a court order. The first responding deputy arrived on scene and approached the residence and confronted the male in front of the residence. The male refused to follow commands and a Taser was used on the male by the deputy. The male then presented a knife at the deputy and the deputy fired at the male with his duty weapon. The male subject is deceased. The deputy was not injured and will be placed on administrative reassignment pending the investigation. The deputy is a 6 year veteran of law enforcement.

The investigation has been turned over to the Region 3 Critical Incident Investigation Team (CIIT) who is currently led by the Mason County Sheriff's Office. The team is comprised of Thurston, Lewis, Mason, Gray's Harbor, and Pacific County Sheriff's Offices. Thurston County will not be part of this investigation.

All further media contacts and press releases will be completed by Chief Jason Dracobly of the Mason County Sheriff's Office, jdracobly@co.mason.wa.us.