

Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team

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(SM23-05) SMART Investigating Officer-Involved Shooting in Sultan

Sultan, Wash. – Detectives with the Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team (SMART) are investigating an officer-involved shooting that resulted in a suspect being shot and wounded with non-life-threatening injuries. A dog was shot and pronounced dead at the scene.

It happened at 6:45 p.m. on Sunday, July 9, at the intersection of 2nd St. and Cedar Ave. in Sultan. Snohomish County Sheriff's Office Deputies responded to reports of a man armed with a knife. Deputies arrived on scene and there was an altercation between the suspect and another involved male. Deputies gave verbal commands and suspect did not comply. A physical struggle ensued, and the suspect was shot and wounded. The dog came out of the suspect's house during the altercation and was shot by deputies. The dog went back into the house after being wounded and later died.

Deputies immediately rendered aid to the suspect, and he was transported to the Providence Regional Medical Center in Everett. The suspect is a 44-year-old man.

The identity of the second involved male is not being released at this time. A road closure is in place at Cedar Ave. and 3rd St. while detectives investigate the scene.

This is an active and ongoing investigation. Updated press releases will be posted on the Snohomish County SMART Investigations Page.

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The investigation is being conducted by the <u>Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team (SMART</u>). SMART is a team of investigators, evidence technicians, records specialist, and public information officers from various Snohomish County law enforcement agencies and Washington State Patrol, who respond to, and investigate, police use of force incidents. There are civilian community members that also serve on the SMART team per the Law Enforcement Training and Community Safety Act (LETSCA). When the SMART investigation is complete, results will be forwarded to the Snohomish County Prosecutor's Office for review.

SMART News Releases and public updates can be located on the Snohomish County SMART Investigations page.