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PRESS INFORMATION

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Officer Involved Shooting

CASE NUMBER: 19-00195

GENERAL LOCATION: Jelly's Ferry Rd near River Ranch Rd, Red Bluff CA

DATE AND TIME OF INCIDENT: 01/28/2019 @ 0530

VICTIM NAME: AGE:

ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION OF LOSS:

ARRESTEE NAME: AGE:

ADDRESS:

CHARGES: BAIL:

The Tehama County Sheriff's Office is confirming that Deputies with our office were involved in an officer involved shooting early this morning.

The investigation is in the initial stages and information is limited at this time however we can currently confirm the following information:

There is currently one adult male suspect who his deceased.

No deputies were injured during this incident.

The scene of this incident is currently secured and there are no outstanding suspects at this time.

The Tehama County Officer Involved Shooting Protocol has been initiated with the Tehama County District Attorney's Office and The California Department of Justice (DOJ) has been requested to assist in the investigation.

This investigation is ongoing and further information will be released when it becomes available.

UPDATE:

On 01/28/2019 at about 0530 hours Deputies with the Tehama County Sheriff's Office responded to the area of Jelly's Ferry Rd near the Jelly's Ferry Bridge for a report of a domestic violence incident.

The 40 year old female victim reported to the responding deputies that the incident occurred while she and her ex-husband were driving on Jelly's Ferry Rd.

The victim reported that during the incident the suspect had threatened to intentionally crash the vehicle and kill both the victim and himself. The suspect drove his vehicle into the concrete barriers on the Jelly's Ferry Bridge.

The victim was able to escape the vehicle and ran to a nearby residence where she called law enforcement. The suspect fled the vehicle and was believed to be in the area.

Deputies searched the area and located the suspect who had armed himself with a knife. 3 deputies confronted the suspect and tried to take him into custody.

After refusing several orders from deputies to drop the knife, a TASER was deployed in an attempt to gain control of the suspect. The suspect was able to deflect the TASER probes by using his jacket as a shield. The suspect charged toward the deputy with the knife still in his hand and continuing to use his jacket as a shield.

Another deputy on scene fired 3 rounds from his firearm striking the suspect. Deputies on scene performed CPR and emergency medical personnel arrived on scene who attempted to perform lifesaving measures which were unsuccessful and the suspect was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The Tehama County Sheriff's Office has initiated the Officer Involved Shooting Protocol and the Tehama County District Attorney's Office and the California Department of Justice will be conducting the investigation in this incident.

ADDITIONAL UPDATE:

The Tehama County Sheriff's Office has identified the suspect in the officer involved shooting as Carl Thayer (45) of Red Bluff.

CORRECTION TO UPDATED PRESS RELEASE:

The initial information I received was that the vehicle struck a concrete barrier of the Jellys Ferry Bridge however after speaking with investigators on scene I have learned that the vehicle struck a fence in the area and the bridge was not struck.

Preparing Officer's I.D# D241