



Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team

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Multiagency team responds to officer involved shooting on Ebey Island

EVERETT, Wash. – The Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team is investigating an officer involved shooting that occurred on Ebey Island.

Just after 8:00 p.m. on January 21st, a woman in Lake Stevens reported her husband called to say he was suicidal and wanted the police to kill him. He did not give his location but had left the house earlier in the day to go bird hunting. Just before 9:00p.m., Snohomish County Deputies located the husband's vehicle in a gravel parking lot near 51st Ave SE and 20th St SE on Ebey Island.

Deputies attempted to talk to the husband and gave instructions for him to come out from behind his vehicle. The husband was not compliant and came out holding what appeared to be a weapon. Deputies fired multiple shots.

Everett Fire responded to the scene and declared the husband deceased.

Detectives have recovered a firearm at the scene and have not received any indication that anyone else was injured by the husband.

The husband was 35 years-old. The Snohomish County Medical Examiner's Office will determine the cause and manner of death as well as provide identification.

Both east and westbound 20th St SE (under the Trestle) is closed for the investigation and expected to be for many hours. The Hwy-2 Trestle is open to normal traffic.

Three Snohomish County Deputies were involved in the shooting. A Sergeant with 10 years, a deputy with 12 years, and a deputy with 2 years of experience will be placed on administrative leave pending the investigation

More information will be provided when available.

The investigation is being conducted by the Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team (SMART), a team of detectives from various Snohomish County law enforcement agencies who respond to, and investigate, police use of force incidents. When the SMART investigation is complete, results will be forwarded to the Snohomish County Prosecutor's Office for review.

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