



Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team

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Update for SMART Case #21-01

Smart Incident 21-01

SNOHOMISH, Wash. – Detectives with the Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team (SMART) continue to investigate the use of force incident that occurred on September 27 in a parking lot of Clearview Plaza (17500 block of SR-9). The suspect, a 39-year-old man, remains hospitalized in stable condition at Harborview Medical Center. He is expected to be released and booked into the King County Jail.

Officers with Valley SWAT team (King County) were conducting surveillance on the 39-year-old murder suspect at a residence in Snohomish County on September 27 and followed him to the Clearview Plaza parking lot where he went into a business. As the suspect returned to his vehicle, an unmarked police vehicle drove up behind him and Valley SWAT officers exited and gave him verbal commands to surrender. The suspect accelerated forward ramming an occupied bystander vehicle and then accelerated backwards into the unmarked police vehicle multiple times. Three Valley SWAT members fired multiple shots.

The suspect had a gunshot wound to his back and was transported by aid to Harborview Medical Center. An adult male passenger and a juvenile in the backseat of the suspect’s vehicle were not injured. The two passengers are not related to the suspect.

The 39-year-old suspect was wanted for First-Degree Murder out of King County.

SMART detectives continue to conduct their investigation and updates will be provided as the investigation continues.

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The investigation is being conducted by the [Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team \(SMART\)](#). 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.

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