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### Washington State Patrol Trooper Involved in Shooting

**Olympia** – On January 13, 2021 just after 8:00 pm, WSP troopers were requested by Thurston County Sheriff Office (TCSO) deputies to assist with a pursuit that had entered I-5. Troopers responded and provided assistance. While making contact with the driver of the fleeing vehicle, shots were fired and the driver and a TCSO K-9 were struck. Both sustained serious but survivable injuries.

The investigation will be conducted by the Region 3 Critical Incident Investigation Team (CIIT). This team is currently headed by the Mason County Sheriff's Office. Per Washington law, The WSP is prohibited from releasing any further information regarding this incident as they will have no involvement in the independent investigation.

Additional information regarding this incident will be released by Mason County Chief Deputy Jason Dracobly, the CIIT commander. Inquiries can be sent to [jdracobly@co.mason.wa.us](mailto:jdracobly@co.mason.wa.us).

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