



\*\*\*For Immediate Release\*\*\*

Captain Deion Glover  
Government and Media Relations

February 12, 2025

**Contact:** Sergeant Jermaine Walker – GMR Public Information Officer  
**Phone:** (253) 312-8880  
**Email:** [jermaine.walker@wsp.wa.gov](mailto:jermaine.walker@wsp.wa.gov)

### Critical Incident-Update #2/WSP Seeking Witnesses

**Yakima, Wash.** – The Yakima Valley Special Investigations Unit (YVSIU) is investigating an Officer-Involved shooting that occurred on Feb. 8, 2025 in Yakima, Wash.

**Investigators determined that one Yakima Police Officer fired their duty weapon during the incident. The officer has been identified as Officer Brad Althausen.**

**The deceased man has been identified as Robert Brewer Heaverlo, 30, of Yakima. The investigation remains ongoing.**

**The Washington State Patrol / Yakima Valley Special Investigation Unit is urging any members of the public who might have witnessed this event or anyone who might have captured video footage of the shooting or events leading up to the shooting to contact Washington State Patrol Detective Lockwood at (509) 249-6743 or call the Washington State Patrol tip line at (509) 249-6742.**

#### Investigation and Process:

This update is required in compliance with WAC 139-12, which mandates weekly updates be sent out by the lead investigative agency in investigations where a Washington State Peace Officer uses deadly force in the capacity of his or her law enforcement duties. These updates are required even if no new information is available at the time of the update.

With the passage of Washington State Initiative 940 in 2018, and Substitute House Bill 1064 in 2019, incidents where the use of deadly force by a peace officer results in death, substantial bodily harm, or great bodily harm require an independent investigation. This investigation must be conducted in the same manner as a criminal investigation and state law now requires an “independent investigation” completely independent of the involved agency.

Per WAC 139-12, the IIT is unable to release any criminal history related to the individual, which includes the circumstances surrounding the initial contact, which prompted the law enforcement response. This information can only be released if specifically requested by the media, and is able to be released consistent with the Public Records Act Chapter 42.56 RCW.

Weekly updates will be provided as the investigation continues. The policies and operating procedures of the IIT are available to the public at: <https://www.wsp.wa.gov/independent-investigation-team/>.

###