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### **Critical Incident – Initial Press Release**

**Bellevue, Wash.** – The Independent Force Investigation Team – King County (IFIT-KC) is investigating an Officer-Involved shooting that occurred Friday morning in Bellevue, Wash.

On Thursday, August 7, 2025, at approximately 8:14 PM, Bellevue Police officers were dispatched to the 15800 block of Northup Way, where a critical incident Officer-Involved Shooting occurred.

The Independent Force Investigation Team – King County (IFIT-KC) was activated, and the Washington State Patrol (WSP) is leading the investigation. IFIT-KC is a multi-agency team comprising investigators from 13 King County Law Enforcement agencies to include Washington State Patrol. As this incident involved the Bellevue Police Department (BPD), investigators from BPD have been excluded from this investigation.

**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.**

Per policy and practice, WSP will release weekly updates during the ongoing investigation of this incident through the WSP Government and Media Relations Office in Olympia, Wash.

The investigation is active and in its early stages, so no additional details are available at this time.

### **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



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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.

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/>.

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