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SLED INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN CALHOUN COUNTY

Agents from the S.C. Law Enforcement Division are investigating an incident today in which shots were fired during a confrontation between an armed man and deputies from the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office. Deputies were in the process of serving an arrest warrant when the incident took place. The suspect was shot and killed during the incident. No other injuries have been reported.

SLED conducts law enforcement officer involved shooting (OIS) investigations at the request of the agency involved in the incident. When requested to investigate an OIS, SLED's goal is to conduct a thorough, independent criminal investigation as timely as is possible under the circumstances. SLED agents will conduct interviews with all potential witnesses in this matter. Further, SLED will collect all relevant evidence and will forensically test such evidence as needed.

Information gathered in the SLED investigation of the incident will be summarized in a case file report to be submitted to prosecutors.

This is an ongoing investigation. As such, no other information about the case will be disclosed by SLED at this time. SLED will defer to the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office for any information about their deputies.

The incident in Calhoun County was the 22nd officer involved shooting in South Carolina in 2021. In 2020, there were 49 officer involved shootings in South Carolina; none involved the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office.

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