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SLED INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN ANDERSON COUNTY

Agents from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division are investigating an incident from Tuesday in which a deputy from the Anderson County Sheriff's Office discharged their firearm at a suspect during a confrontation following a vehicle pursuit. Deputies were attempting to conduct a traffic stop when the incident took place. The suspect was shot and killed. 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 Anderson County Sheriff's Office for any information about their deputy.

The incident in Anderson County was the 31st officer involved shooting in South Carolina in 2021. In 2020, there were 49 officer involved shootings in South Carolina; three involved the Anderson County Sheriff's Office.

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