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Officer Involved Shooting Investigation

On December 21, 2017, at approximately 9:00 am, the Greeley Police Department was dispatched to a report of a stolen vehicle in progress in the 1400 block of 8th Avenue, Greeley, Colorado. The vehicle was described as a 2018 red Chevy Cruise. The suspect was described as being a Hispanic male, 5'8" tall, weighing 140 pounds and last seen wearing a green jacket with blue jeans.

As Greeley Police Officers arrived on scene, the vehicle was seen leaving the area. Greeley Police Officers did not pursue the vehicle.

A short time later, the vehicle was located in a ditch, in the area of 77th Avenue, also known as Two Rivers Parkway and 37th Street.

Greeley Police Officers made contact with a bystander who was in the area. Officers learned that the suspect was in the truck of the bystander who was offering his assistance in getting the vehicle out of the ditch.

The officers attempted to make contact with the suspect. The suspect ran from the officers. Officers gave multiple loud verbal commands for the suspect to stop. The suspect did not comply with the officers' commands. Less lethal was used with the attempt to apprehend the suspect. The use of less lethal bean bag rounds was ineffective. The suspect then brandished a handgun. Officers then discharged their weapons. Suspect was pronounced deceased on scene.

The identity of the deceased will be released by the Weld County Coroner's Office pending notification next to kin.

The Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT) has been activated to investigate this incident, and all media requests will be handled by the Weld County Sheriff's Office.



The Officers involved have been put on administrative leave, pending the outcome of the investigation.

This is an active investigation, and details will be released as they become available.

Anyone with information regarding this or any other crime is asked to call the Weld County Communication Center at 970-350-9600 extension 4.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Steve Reams'.

Steve Reams – Sheriff