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## Deputy Involved Shooting

On Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020, at approximately 9:39 PM deputies responded to the area of SR 44 and CR 153 in Wildwood, FL, in reference to, a domestic disturbance involving a threat of self-harm. The complainant advised the subject was intoxicated; he then called a relative on the phone and vocalized his intent to commit suicide. The suspect retrieved a weapon and began loading it. The complainant fled the scene, called 911, and made contact with deputies at the above-mentioned location. Deputies responded to the original incident location, met with the armed subject who refused to put the weapon down, deputy's tased the subject unsuccessfully, the subject then made a move for his shotgun, was shot by deputies, and transported for medical treatment.

This case remains under investigation and no further information will be released at this time. The deputy who fired the shot was placed on paid administrative leave during the investigation, per Sumter County Sheriff's Office policy and procedure.

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