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RE: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST OF Sept 5, 2024, Reference # PD-24091 - 2nd

2 messages

Dupont Police Department <Police@dupontwa.gov>
To: "pnwresearch24@gmail.com" <pnwresearch24@gmail.com>

Fri, Nov 1, 2024 at 3:06 PM

Subject: RE: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST OF Sept 5, 2024, Reference # PD-24091

Good afternoon, Shira:

The DuPont Police Department received a public information request from you, and your request mentioned:

"I am requesting the following information for DuPont PD. I received some info from South Sound 911 but they did not have anything besides part 1 of this request. 1) A list of all vehicle pursuit incidents that your agency was involved in from 2019 through 2023, as a line-level data extract from your records management system (RMS), including incident date, report number, and any/all other RMS data fields that are not required to be redacted by law; 2) Policy manuals, rules, and regulations for your agency relating to vehicle pursuits, including record-keeping and data collection on pursuits, that were in effect between 2019 and 2023; 3) Reports summarizing and analyzing the vehicle pursuit data for your agency, produced for internal and/or external publication(e.g. periodic reports required for WASPC and/or CALEA accreditation, newsletters, materials provided to government officials) produced between 2019 through 2023."

The second installment of records responsive to your request are attached to this email and consist of the following:

DuPont Police_Support for HB 2037 and SB 5919.pdf (Description: Email from Chief Doug Newman to WA State Representatives Bronoske and Leavitt)

Additionally, a search of the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system as well as the Records Management System (RMS) for any incidents with the event type "TP" (Traffic Pursuit) and offense code "5450" (Traffic Pursuit/Eluding) respectively was conducted for years 2022 and 2023. All CAD and RMS Incident Report narratives with either TP event type or the 5450 offense code were then reviewed to determine whether a vehicle pursuit had occurred. There are no responsive records for vehicle pursuit incidents involving our agency in which DuPont Police Officers actively (or physically) pursued suspect vehicles for the years 2022 and 2023.

We estimate the next response to this request will be available on or before November 15, 2024. If responsive documents become available in advance of this estimate, we will contact you promptly. Conversely, if the DuPont Police Department encounters a need to extend our estimate, we will contact you promptly with a revised estimated date.

Thank you for your patience while awaiting this information.

If you have any questions, or wish to discuss your request further, please contact our office at (253) 964-7060 or police@dupontwa.gov.

Respectfully,

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Wed, Nov 13, 2024 at 1:39 PM

Hi Diana,

Thank you for your messages from Oct. 4 and Nov. 1. I am following up to clarify some things and expand on my request a bit.

- Your Oct. 4 email referenced three attachments, but there were only two PDFs attached. Can you please take a look and confirm whether the third is missing? I think it is the 2019 Use of Force and Pursuit Analysis report.
- You included the relevant policy in place from 2019-2023. Am I correct that there were no changes made to that policy during that time frame?
- Your Nov. 1 email included correspondence from the Chief to two lawmakers. Can you please include the lawmakers' responses and any other messages included in that exchange, if any? I would also like the jpg files attached to the Chief's message, please. Finally, I would like any/all data that the Chief relied upon concerning failure to yield incidents.

I also wanted to thank you for explaining how your agency did its records search in response to our request. It's really helpful to have that information! I just had one clarifying question: You noted that, "There are no responsive records for vehicle pursuit incidents involving our agency in which DuPont Police Officers actively (or physically) pursued suspect vehicles" for the years we requested. Can you remind me what you mean by "physically" and how that's distinct from any other type of involvement? Are you saying that Dupont Police did not pursue any vehicles during that time frame?

Thanks again!

Best, Shira

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