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RED BLUFF >> The name of the man killed in an officer-involved shooting Wednesday off Diamond Avenue was released as **Abraham Noe Flores**, 34 of Los Molinos, according to a press release issued Thursday by the Tehama County Sheriff's Department.

Flores was shot and killed between Shasta College's Tehama Campus and the former Diamond Lumber Mill property after aiming a rifle at deputies.

A 911 call came into the dispatch center around 11:30 a.m. Wednesday from a woman saying her boyfriend had a rifle and a handgun and was threatening to commit suicide.

Deputies responded to the incident near the campus and Flores asked them to shoot him. Flores lifted his rifle, described as a hunting rifle with a scope, toward officers. A sheriff's sergeant fired two shots at Flores, both striking him.

Flores was declared dead at the scene.

Sheriff Dave Hencratt arrived at the scene and initiated an investigation incident, which will be handled by Lt. Matt Hansen from the Red Bluff Police Department.

According to the release, Flores had previous contacts with law enforcement and a history of mental health issues.

Prior to the shooting, the Crisis Negotiations Team from the sheriff's office attempted to speak to Flores, but his verbal attempts to get officers to shoot him continued.

A news release from Shasta College issued Wednesday evening said the school was notified at 11:42 a.m. of a gunman being spotted near the campus.

The campus was locked down shortly after and followed standard procedure to keep students and faculty inside before being evacuated with help of the sheriff's department.

The campus closed for the rest of Wednesday but reopened to normal operations Thursday.

No students, faculty or officers were harmed in the incident.

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