
Press Release: Attempted Assault

Case # 22-M24339

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On December 29, 2022 at approximately 8:00am, Mount Vernon Police Department officers were dispatched to a report of an occupied vehicle being struck by rocks 1000 block of Roosevelt Avenue in Mount Vernon. Through investigation, officers learned that the subject had struck the occupied vehicle with a rock and charged at it with a stick.

Officers were able to identify the suspect as a 40-year-old white male who had multiple warrants for his arrest. Additionally, the suspect had been contacted the previous night during a traffic hazard complaint and was armed with a hatchet. Officers determined that no crime had been committed at that time.

When the suspect was contacted this morning, he again fled into a wooded area, refused to come out, and stated that officers would have to kill him. Members of the Skagit County Crisis Negotiations Team responded and attempted to negotiate a voluntary surrender for approximately 2.5 hours with no success.

With the assistance of both the Skagit County and Snohomish County Sheriff's Offices, officers moved into the wooded area and deployed less-lethal impact munitions and took the suspect into custody.

The suspect was treated at the Skagit Valley Hospital and then booked into the Skagit County Community Justice Center for Attempted Assault 2nd degree, Resisting Arrest, Trespassing, as well as his outstanding arrest warrants.

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