

Standoff Update

Local News

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Hoquiam, WA- The standoff carries on from the 2800 block of Aberdeen Avenue in Hoquiam; following shots fired involving a Hoquiam Police Department Officer, which began around 11 am Wednesday morning. Hoquiam Police Department officers were attempting to serve a warrant from out of state, when the suspect, a 49 year old male, began firing at them. One HPD Officer was shot and was taken to Grays Harbor Community Hospital and treated for non-life threatening injuries. Following the shooting, the suspect barricaded himself inside in the second-story part of the home. Police have secured the bottom floor. The suspect fired several shots at the State Patrol's SWAT car after members fired tear gas into the home. The suspect is confirmed to have a gas mask and a Kevlar helmet in his possession. Officers from multiple agencies around Western Washington and have evacuated neighboring homes and are still on scene assisting. Including, the Critical Incident Team which is officers from Mason, Thurston, Lewis, and Pacific counties, as well as State Patrol. Police have tried to establish contact with the suspect and are being met with no response. At this point officers are still trying to keep people away from the house. There is still a traffic diversion from the Simpson Avenue Bridge to the port industrial route past 22nd street, with 27th to 29th street still closed. The police department is in contact with the Hoquiam school district, to figure out how to accommodate a temporary new school bus route for the surrounding area. Pick up and drop off locations have yet to be announced. We will have more details as they become available to us.