

Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation Investigative Report



2022-1726 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 15266 Gilchrist Rd., Mt. Vernon (L)

Investigative Activity:	Video Review
Date of Activity:	11/02/2022
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Narrative:

On Wednesday, November 2, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) John Tingley (Tingley) received video footage from the Delaware County Sheriff's Office (DCSO). SA Tingley was informed that the six videos contained footage from the DCSO drone cameras related to the officer-involved critical incident which occurred on August 20, 2022, at 15266 Gilchrist Road, Mt. Vernon, Knox County, Ohio.

As there is no date or timestamp on these videos, the time listed will be the progression of the video from the beginning of the video.

SA Tingley reviewed the video recordings and noted the following:

DJI\_20220820064542\_0001\_S

This video is 0:00:02 in length and consists of an overview of the Gilchrist Road property, including: Saundra Wilhelm's (mother) residence; the outbuilding south of the mother's residence; the roof of Bradley Wilhelm's residence, which is north of the mother's residence; and the surrounding yard and property.

DJI\_20220820064542\_0001\_T

This video is 0:00:02 in length and consists of Forward Looking Infrared Radar (FLIR) night vision camera footage which is an overview of the Gilchrist Road property, including: Saundra Wilhelm's (mother) residence; the outbuilding south of the mother's residence; the roof of Bradley Wilhelm's residence, which is north of the mother's residence; Randy Wilhelm's residence, which is east of the mother's residence (15159 Monroe Mills Road, Mt. Vernon, Ohio); and the surrounding yard and property.

# DJI\_20220820064542\_0001\_W

This video is 0:00:02 in length and consists of Forward Looking Infrared Radar (FLIR) night

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# DJI\_20220820064542\_0001\_Z

This video is 0:00:03 in length and consists of camera footage which is an overview of the Gilchrist Road property, including: Saundra Wilhelm's (mother) residence; the outbuilding south of Wilhelm's residence; the roof of Bradley Wilhelm's residence, which is north of the mother's residence; and the surrounding yard and property.

### DJI\_20220820070222\_0002\_S

This video is 0:02:41 in length and consists of camera footage which begins as an overview of the Gilchrist Road property, including: Saundra Wilhelm's (mother) residence; the outbuilding south of Wilhelm's residence; the roof of Bradley Wilhelm's residence, which is north of the mother's residence; and the surrounding yard and property.

At 0:00:03, the camera moves to the east, looking at the horizon.

At 0:01:12, the camera scans as the drone's altitude is decreasing.

At 0:01:51, the drone lands at an unknown location.

The video then concludes with the drone on the ground.

# DJI\_20220820070222\_0002\_T

This video is 0:02:42 in length and consists of Forward Looking Infrared Radar (FLIR) night vision camera footage which begins as an overview of the Gilchrist Road property, including: Saundra Wilhelm's (mother) residence; the outbuilding south of Wilhelm's residence; the roof of Bradley Wilhelm's residence, which is north of the mother's residence; and the surrounding yard and property.

At 0:00:04, the camera angle moves to the east, looking at the horizon.

At 0:01:23, the camera scans as the drone's altitude is decreasing.

At 0:01:49, the drone lands at an unknown location.

These video recordings are attached to this case file as Reference Item B.

# ADDITIONAL FACTORS FOR EVALUATING THE VIDEO RECORDINGS

There are numerous other factors that need to be considered when reviewing and

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evaluating the videos and audio recordings of this incident. Those factors are:

- Video recording devices record within the video and sound capabilities available, and they record objectively. Video recordings lack the history, perspective and interest of the people involved. The positions, angles, obstacles, lighting and distance from the incident are also factors that need serious consideration.
- Video recording devices also record more information about a particular scene or incident than the person(s) involved in the incident can process during the critical incident. Video recording devices rarely record an event from the same perspective of the officer. It captures the action but not the perception, decision making, focus or intent of the officer. Video recordings often miss tactile cues or other actions of a subject.
- The speed of the incident is remarkable. The speed and complexity of rapidly evolving situation(s) that occur during use of force encounters are difficult concepts to comprehend by only watching the video.

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