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Bureau of Criminal Investigation
Investigative Report



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Officer Involved Critical Incident – Interstate 275 / State Route
32, OH, 45245 (Clermont County) (L)

Investigative Activity: Video Review
Involves: Kelsey L Hildal (S)
Date of Activity: 04/04/2025
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Narrative:

On April 4, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Lauren Frazier received requested video recordings from OSHP Trooper Investigator Michael Butler. Agents had previously requested all Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) video recordings, involving the wrong-way driver (OH plate JVV3278), for the following date and time period: April 1, 2025 at 2000 hours, until April 2, 2025 at 0000 hours. As a result of that request, the following items were received and reviewed:

Four (4) ODOT videos from the following locations:

- IR-275 at 8 Mile Road
- IR-275 at SR-125
- IR-275 at SR-32
- IR-275 at Barg Salt Run Rd

Below is a summary of the times and locations where the vehicle was located within the videos. In each video, the vehicle appears to be driving in the wrong direction:

- 10:45:35 PM – IR-275 at Eight Mile Rd
- 10:46:35 PM – IR-275 at SR-125
- 10:48:07 PM – IR-275 at SR-32
- 10:49:54 PM – IR-275 at Barg Salt Run Rd
- 11:15:29 PM – IR-275 at SR-32
- 11:18:48 PM – IR-275 at SR-32 (OICI partially seen when the camera flipped)

OSHP Trooper Investigator Michael Butler provided a summary of the ODOT video footage:

Synopsis of IR-275 at 8 Mile Road ODOT Video Footage:

The video footage accurately depicted the area of IR-275 and 8 Mile Road. The video footage

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was of poor quality, as the camera captured the video in a grayscale format as a result of the nighttime conditions. The video footage began at 10:40 PM on April 1, 2025. At 10:45:35 PM, a vehicle was observed operating at apparent highway speeds, while traveling north within the southbound lanes of IR-275. The video footage concluded at 11:00 PM, with no other remarkable findings.

Synopsis of IR-275 at SR-125 ODOT Video Footage:

The video footage accurately depicted the area of IR-275 and SR-125. The video footage was of moderate quality. The video footage was captured in color, with diminished video quality proportionate to the distance from the camera. The video footage began at 10:40 PM on April 1, 2025. At 10:46:17 PM, headlights were observed which were consistent with a vehicle traveling north in the southbound lanes of IR-275. At 10:46:37 PM, the vehicle was positioned closest to the camera and appeared to be a red-colored SUV. At the same time, brake lights became illuminated on the back of the red-colored SUV. While examining the video footage, the vehicle appeared to again be traveling at highway speeds, as it maintained a pace with the northbound commercial motor vehicle. The video footage concluded at 10:50 PM, with no other remarkable findings.

Synopsis of IR-275 at SR-32 ODOT Video Footage:

The video footage accurately depicted the area of IR-275 and SR-32. The video footage was of good quality, as the camera captured the video in a color format and the area was illuminated. The video footage began at 10:45 PM on April 1, 2025. At 10:48:06 PM, a vehicle was observed traveling north on IR-275 in the southbound lanes. Several other motorists seemingly recognized the wrong-way vehicle and slowed to negotiate the vehicle in a safe manner. At 10:48:18 PM, the vehicle was near center-frame of the video footage. The vehicle occupied the left-most lane of southbound IR-275. At 10:48:28 PM, the vehicle exited camera frame and was observed traveling mostly in the left lane of the roadway, and partially in the left emergency shoulder. The fog line was broken, indicating the vehicle was traveling on the shoulder by a width of approximately one to two tire tread widths.

At 11:15:06 PM, a responding law enforcement vehicle was observed traveling south on IR-275 at a high rate of speed with emergency overhead lights activated. At 11:15:21 PM, headlights were observed which were consistent with a vehicle traveling north in the southbound lanes of IR-275. Another responding law enforcement vehicle was also observed, identified by activated emergency overhead lights. The first mentioned law enforcement vehicle surpassed the wrong-way vehicle without incident. The additional law enforcement vehicle was observed traveling north in the northbound lanes of IR-275, abreast with the wrong-way vehicle. At 11:15:33 PM, a third responding law enforcement vehicle was observed traveling south in the southbound lanes of IR-275. This third law enforcement vehicle was approaching the wrong-way vehicle. The wrong-way vehicle was observed traveling with emergency hazard lights activated. Prior to the vehicle's meeting, the camera changed directions and began to face east.

At 11:18:48 PM, the camera changed directions again and began to face north. When the video became stabilized, the wrong-way vehicle was observed pinned against the median barrier, positioned within the southbound lanes of IR-275. The wrong-way vehicle was

pinned against the median by a marked OSHP cruiser, which was facing south on IR-275. Multiple officers were observed outside of their vehicles. At 11:18:52 PM, the OSHP cruiser began to move, freeing the wrong-way vehicle. At 11:18:55 PM, the wrong-way vehicle began to travel north in the southbound lanes in the direction of law enforcement officers. At 11:18:58 PM, an officer near the passenger side of the wrong-way vehicle appeared to fire multiple rounds at a downward direction towards the wrong-way vehicle. The wrong-way vehicle appeared to coast across the roadway in a perpendicular manner. The wrong-way vehicle struck the concrete barrier on the west side of the roadway at 11:19:15 PM. Officers surrounded the wrong-way vehicle, and a canine exited the wrong-way vehicle. The video footage concluded at 11:30 PM, with no other remarkable findings.

Synopsis of IR-275 at Barg Salt Run Road ODOT Video Footage:

The video footage accurately depicted the area of IR-275 and Barg Salt Run Road. The video footage was of poor quality. The video footage was captured in grayscale, likely as a result of the lack of ambient light in the area. The video footage began at 10:45 PM on April 1, 2025. At 10:49:46 PM, a vehicle traveling south in the northbound lanes of IR-275 was observed. The vehicle appeared to have been traveling in the left shoulder of the northbound roadway. The wrong-way vehicle appeared to be traveling at a velocity greater than traffic in the southbound lanes of IR-275. The video footage concluded at 10:55 PM, with no other remarkable findings.

References:

ODOT Videos on Axon

Attachments:

No attachments.