Investigative Activity: Initial Briefing
Involves: Delaware County Sheriff’s Office (O)
Date of Activity: 03/11/2022
Activity Location: Scene – Northbound I–71 at Mile Marker 123, Lewis Center, OH 43035, Delaware County
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Narrative:

On Friday March 11, 2022, the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Investigation and Crime Scene Units were requested to respond to I–71 in the area of Polaris Parkway (Delaware and Franklin County lines) in order to investigate an Officer–Involved Critical incident (OICI) involving Columbus Police Department officers. BCI was informed CPD responded to the area where they had interaction with an involved male subject on the roadway. During said interaction, CPD and the involved individual exchanged gunfire, which occurred within Delaware County. The involved male was transported to a local hospital with alleged gunshot wounds to the lower body. BCI was requested by the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office (DCSO) to investigate the OICI and Ohio State Highway Patrol was requested to investigate the remaining offenses, which occurred in the roadway.

BCI Special agents interviewed witnesses at the scene and processed the scene of the incident. Per the request for assistance from DCSO, BCI limited their investigation to the portion of the scene where the OICI occurred and the individuals that witnessed the OICI.