



# BONNER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Daryl Wheeler, Sheriff • David Hale, Undersheriff

## Kootenai County Officer Involved Shooting Fact Sheet

- (1) The Bonner County Sheriff's Office was tasked with overseeing this investigation as outlined in the North Idaho Critical Incident Task Force Memorandum of Understanding.
- (2) BCSO must oversee the investigation and keep the public informed without compromising the investigation.
- (3) Suspect Marcus Rael is a 24 year old male who shot first at officers as his vehicle came to a stop at mile marker #5 on Highway 90 in Post Falls, Idaho where he engaged law enforcement officers in a violent sustained gun battle.

### (4) Weapons used by the suspect:

(A) AK-47 Rifle



Not Actual Rifle



High Capacity Drum Magazine (Type Used)

(B) FN 5.7 Carbine Rifle



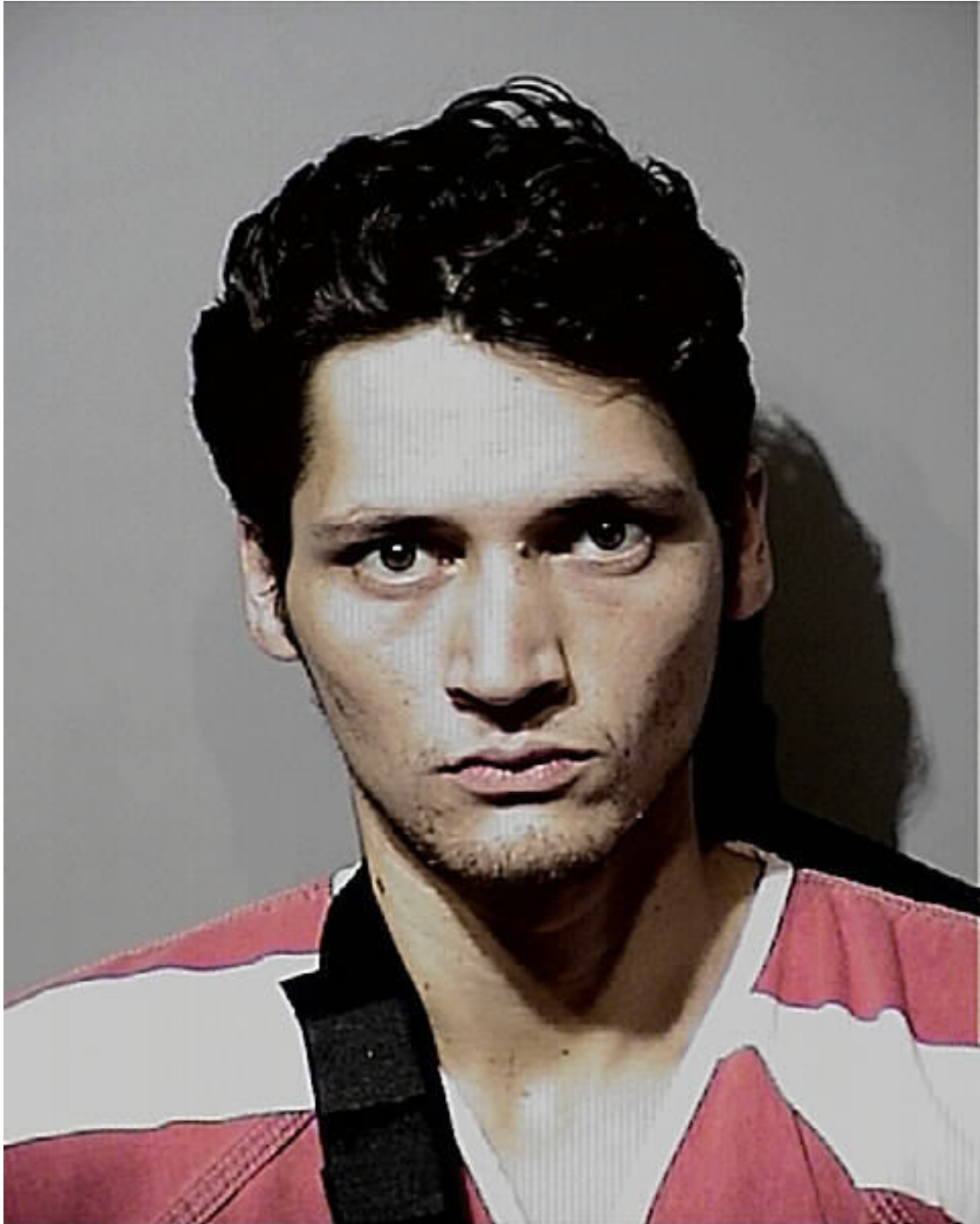
Not Actual Rifle

50 Round Magazine

- (5) The suspect's truck was 2004 Nissan Titan work truck with Tommy Lift Gate and Tool Boxes which served to fortify his position.

(6) The gunman received immediate life-saving interventions by the officers on scene and then was taken to Kootenai Health for treatment. These actions likely saved the life of Marcus Rael.

(7) Suspect Photo



Marcus A. Rael

## PREVIOUS RELEASES FROM THE KOOTENAI COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

June 22, 2014

On June 22, 2014 at about 2:00 am, officers and deputies from the Coeur d'Alene Police Department, Kootenai County Sheriff's Office, Idaho State Police and the Post Falls Police Department were involved in an officer involved shooting on Interstate 90 at milepost 5.

The Critical Incident Task Force has been activated for the investigation. Additionally, because of the four agencies involved, the Bonner County Sheriff's Office and the Rathdrum Police Department have also been requested to assist. The Bonner County Sheriff's Office will be overseeing the investigation.

The lone suspect involved in this case was transported to Kootenai Health and is listed in critical condition.

June 23, 2014

The Kootenai County Sheriff's Office is releasing further details into the officer involved shooting that occurred yesterday, June 22nd, on Interstate 90.

The incident began as a traffic stop in the City of Coeur d'Alene, where the driver fled the scene in his pickup. A subsequent pursuit was initiated from Sherman St and Interstate 90, westbound to milepost 5, in the City of Post Falls. The driver, for reasons yet to be determined, stopped his vehicle and began to exchange gunfire with multiple law enforcement personnel from four agencies.

The driver was later transported to Kootenai Health and was initially listed in critical condition.

The driver of the vehicle has been identified as Marcus A. Rael of Glendale, Arizona. He is currently listed in stable condition at Kootenai Health.

The involved law enforcement personnel that exchanged gunfire with Rael included six officers from the Coeur d'Alene Police Department, three officers from the Post Falls Police Department, two deputies from the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office and one trooper from the Idaho State Police. All the involved officers, deputies and trooper are currently on paid administrative leave. Their names will be made available in the future.

The Critical Incident Task Force, with oversight from the Bonner County Sheriff's Office is continuing to process evidence from the scene. Due to the large, complex nature of the incident and to ensure the integrity of the investigation, further details are not currently available.

June 26, 2014

On June 25, 2014 a warrant of arrest for Marcus A. Rael, a 24 year old male subject involved in the pursuit and subsequent exchange of gunfire with law enforcement on June 22, 2014, was obtained and served on Mr. Rael charging one count of felony eluding a peace officer. His bond is set at one million dollars.

The warrant was served on Rael by a detective from the Rathdrum Police Department, working with the Critical Incident Task Force (CITF).

Since Mr. Rael is still at Kootenai Health, there is no booking photo available. Also, Kootenai Health will not be releasing any details regarding his condition.

The CITF is continuing their investigation and processing evidence.

July 2, 2014

The Kootenai County Sheriff's Office has taken custody of Marcus A. Rael, the subject involved in the pursuit with area law enforcement and subsequent exchange of gunfire on Interstate 90 in the early morning hours of June 22, 2014. Rael is currently being held at the Kootenai County Jail on one count of felony eluding a peace officer. His current bail is one million dollars.

The Critical Incident Task Force Detectives are continuing interviews as well as collecting and processing evidence.

July 2, 2014

The Critical Incident Task Force detectives have released the names of the law enforcement personnel directly involved in the exchange of gunfire with Marcus A. Rael in the early morning hours of June 22, 2014.

There were a total of twelve law enforcement personnel from four local agencies, they are as follows:

Idaho State Police:

Corporal J. Kagarice, 7+ years with ISP

Kootenai County Sheriff:

Deputy P. Mead, 2+ years with KCSO

Deputy E. Hedlund, 6+ years with KCSO

Post Falls Police:

Senior Officer B. Chapman, 19+ years with PFPD

Officer J. Mealer, 8 months with PFPD

Senior Officer A. Sporleder, 1+ years with PFPD

Coeur d'Alene Police:

Officer A. Wessel, 6+ years with CDAPD

Officer J. Schneider, 8+ years with CDAPD

Officer D. Taylor, 3+ years with CDAPD

Officer N. Petersen, 4+ years with CDAPD

Officer J. Noble, 4+ years with CDAPD

Officer A. Tenney, 6+ years with CDAPD