

McKinley County deputy-involved shooting under investigation

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A disorderly man was shot by a McKinley County sheriff's deputy in response to a call during a March 1 incident at the Flying J gas station on I-40 near mile post 39.

The deputy was sent out around 11:30 pm and arrived to find a man on the westbound off ramp to I-40. The deputy fired his weapon and struck the man, who was taken to an area hospital where he is believed to have non-life-threatening injuries.

The deputy was not injured.

Details of the incident, the encounter and the shooting are currently under investigation.

The identities of those involved will not be released until interviews are complete.

The New Mexico State Police Investigations Bureau was contacted by the sheriff's office March 2 to look into the incident. This incident remains under investigation by the New Mexico State Police Investigations Bureau and Crime Scene Team.

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The deputy is on paid on administrative leave until more information is learned from the investigation.

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