



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



2026-1239

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 31000 Block U.S. Route  
250, Uhrichsville, Ohio 44683, Harrison County

**Investigative Activity:** Response to US 22 Scene  
**Involves:** Michael Decker (S), [REDACTED] (S)  
**Activity Date:** 03/30/2026  
**Activity Location:** US 22 near Miller Station Road, Hopedale, OH 43976  
**Authoring Agent:** SA Joseph Lamping #184

**Narrative:**

On Monday, March 20, 2026, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents (SA) Joe Lamping (Lamping) and Josh Lish (Lish) responded to the area of US 22 near Miller Station Road, Hopedale, Harrison County, in reference to an officer involved critical incident. The involved subject, Michael Decker (Decker) was reported to be at large in the area.

The agents met with an assortment of law enforcement officials from various agencies that were on scene, including Ohio State Patrol (OSHP) Criminal Investigator Sergeant Sahwn Allar (Sergeant Allar) and OSHP Lieutenant Robert Bodo (Lieutenant Bodo). Lieutenant Bodo advised SA Lamping that the only officer involved in the shooting, [REDACTED] had been transported to the Steubenville OSHP post. Arrangements were made for SA Dan Boerner to meet with [REDACTED]. See his report titled *2026-03-30: Trooper Documentation and Evidence Collection* for further information.

While discussing the basic information regarding the incident, the following law enforcement officers were determined to be witnesses to the shooting:

- OSHP Lieutenant Bodo
- Harrison County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) Sergeant Thomas Smith (Sergeant Smith)
  - HCSO Deputy Jason Saylor
- Cadiz Police Department Lieutenant Ron Carter

Due to the ongoing attempts to locate Decker, none of the witness officers were interviewed at the scene.

SA Lamping spoke with HCSO Sergeant Smith and OSHP Sergeant Allar in regard to the handling of criminal charges against Decker. OSHP Sergeant Allar advised that if HCSO would be requesting BCI to handle the criminal charges that they would have no objections. Sergeant Smith contacted Sheriff Touville who requested that BCI take

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control of the entire investigation to include criminal charges against Decker. Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Charles Moran (Moran) instructed SA Lamping to initiate the investigation and issuance of charges against Decker. See SA Lamping's report tilted *2026-03-30: Arrest Warrant Obtained* for further information regarding the charges filed against Decker.

While on scene, SA Lamping was directed towards one civilian witness, Timothy Withrow. SA Lamping conducted a recorded interview with Withrow that was documented in the report titled *2026-03-30: Interview of Timothy Withrow*.

SA Lish remained on scene at US 22 to assist the crime scene agents from BCI while SA Lamping met with the Harrison County Prosecutor in reference to charges against Decker.

**References:**

None

**Attachments:**

None

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