Sheriff’s Deputies Looking For Homicide Suspect

On December 8, 2008, at 3:52pm, the Sheriff’s Office received calls saying that someone was shot at 5424 Steiner Ranch Blvd. Upon arrival they found the victim inside the business and witnesses who stated that the suspect had already gone. A description of the suspect and the vehicle were broadcast to other units in the area while Austin-Travis County EMS, StarFlight, and the Hudson Bend Fire Department responded to provide medical treatment for the victim, however, he succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at 4:14pm.

The name of the victim is being withheld until the Medical Examiner’s Office conducts their investigation to determine a positive identity and notifies the next of kin.

Detectives are interviewing nearly 40 people who were at the business, preparing to open for the day, and collecting evidence at the scene to try and determine the reason for the shooting.

An off duty officer saw the suspect vehicle parked on the side of the road in the 12,000 Block of Bullick Hollow Road and saw the suspect, identified as,

Brian Carl Beck, White/Male, Date of Birth 10-17-1981,

walking from the vehicle into the woods. Mr. Beck is further described as being 5’11” tall, about 170 pounds, with brown hair and was last seen wearing a green jacket and blue jeans.

Sheriff’s Deputies, K-9, StarFlight and DPS Helicopters were on scene to search the area until darkness made it too dangerous to search. Deputies will remain in the area all night and will resume the search of the wooded area at daylight.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Mr. Beck, or sees him, is asked to call 911 immediately and not approach him as he is considered dangerous.

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