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Media Release: December 31, 2022 Unmanned Aerial System Annual Report

As part of our commitment to the community, we are releasing this annual report regarding the usage of the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Team.

The UAS Team consists of 15 members of the Sheriff's Office who are certified under Code of Federal Regulations Title 14 part 107 to fly drones in a commercial capacity.

In 2022 the UAS was deployed 32 times. Those deployments included search and rescue operations, suspect searches, crime scene documentation, high risk incidents and search warrants.

Below are the dates, locations, and circumstances for each public deployment in 2022:

DATE	LOCATION	MISSION TYPE	OUTCOME
1/10/2022	Highway 1 / MM 32.97	Water Rescue	Subject Located
1/12/2022	8000 Block Soquel Dr, Aptos	Barricaded Subject	Suspect Located
1/16/2022	Highway 129 / Varoni Rd.	Missing Person	Subject Located
2/6/2022	14500 Block of Stetson Rd, Soquel	Crime Scene Documentation	Scene Documented
2/17/2022	5800 Block Hillside Dr, Felton	Suspect Search	Negative Results
2/27/2022	San Andreas Rd / Sand Dollar Ln	Suspect Search	Suspect Located
3/11/2022	Davenport Landing Beach	Water Rescue	Negative Results
3/20/2022	41 st Ave / Soquel Dr, Soquel	Missing Person	Subject Located
3/22/2022	Soquel Dr / Cotton Ln, Soquel	Missing Person	Subject Located

3/24/2022	17 th Ave / Colony Way, Soquel	Suspect Search	Negative Results
3/25/2022	New Brighton State Beach	Suspect Search	Negative Results
3/28/2022	Almar Ave / Sunset Ave, Santa Cruz	Suspect Search	Suspect Located
4/12/2022	700 Block Lincoln St, Watsonville	Arrest Warrant	Suspect Located
4/15/2022	1000 Block Ocean St, Santa Cruz	Suspect Search	Negative Results
4/24/2022	0 Block Lee Rd, Watsonville	Crime Scene Documentation	Scene Documented
5/2/2022	Ocean View Park	Crime Scene Documentation	Scene Documented
6/6/2022	2800 Block Soquel Dr, Santa Cruz	Missing Person	Subject Located
6/7/2022	0 Block Kilburn St, Watsonville	Barricaded Subject	Negative Results
6/19/2022	22400 Block Highway 9, Boulder Creek	Suspect Search	Negative Results
6/24/2022	500 Block Glenwood Dr, Scotts Valley	Bomb Callout	Negative Results
7/3/2022	Harkin Slough, Watsonville	Suspect Search	Negative Results
7/4/2022	Wharf to Wharf	Community Event	Negative Results
8/3/2022	63 Riverside Dr, Watsonville	Barricaded Subject	Suspect Located
8/13/2022	San Gregorio Beach, San Mateo County	Crime Scene Documentation	Scene Documented
8/18/2022	Watsonville Airport	Crime Scene Documentation	Scene Documented
9/5/2022	100 Block Jolon Dr, Watsonville	Suspect Search	Suspect Located
9/17/2022	100 Block Stone Crest, Santa Cruz	Suspect Search	Negative Results
10/15/2022	100 Block Via Trinita, Aptos	Missing Person	Subject Located
10/16/2022	Hathaway Ave / Jolon Dr, Watsonville	Missing Person	Subject Located
10/16/2022	Hathaway Ave / Jolon Dr, Watsonville	Search Warrant	Suspect Located
10/20/2022	7 th Ave & East Cliff Dr, Santa Cruz	Missing Person	Negative Results
11/17/2022	Highway 9 / Highway 236, Boulder Creek	Suspect Search	Negative Results

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