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Press Release

For Immediate Release

Shots fired at the Woody Creek Plaza

Pitkin County, Colorado – 04/05/12 – At approximately 4:00 p.m. on the evening of Wednesday, April 4th, Pitkin County deputies were dispatched to the Woody Creek Plaza on several reports of shots fired. Deputies were told an intoxicated Woody Creek man had fired several gunshots outside of his home, and then retreated inside.

Deputies responded and attempted to make contact with the subject, later identified as 54 year old Robert Doane, who would not exit his home or communicate with the deputies. The deputies created a perimeter around the scene, and after approximately seven hours of containment Doane exited his house unarmed and was taken into custody without incident.

During execution of a search warrant obtained in relation to this incident, two handguns were seized by deputies from Doane's residence.

Investigation of the scene revealed six apparent holes from gunfire, one of which was located in an adjoining home. The adjoining home was not occupied at the time of the damage.

Doane was charged with Prohibited Use of Weapons, a class 2 misdemeanor; and Reckless Endangerment, a class 3 misdemeanor.

Eight deputies of the Pitkin County Sheriff's Office participated in the incident.

Ron Ryan
Undersheriff

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