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Good Afternoon,

Attached are the records you requested. The Chief Deputy put this together for you to fulfill your records request. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to us at the Sheriff's Department so we can assist you.

As for the dates that the body cameras and dash cameras were put into use. I know that they were in use successfully starting January 2026 by the Chief Deputy and Deputy Hufford. I am having trouble finding paperwork that would establish an official date and time though. We have archived footage of dashcam dating back to December 2025 and we have body cam footage archived starting in January 2026.

That is all for now.

Take care.

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Mr. Lamer,

In response to your open records request I have included a copy of our Mobile Audio/Video policy and a copy of our Portable Audio/Video recorder policy. This policy was adopted on 9/11/2025 and our first two patrol vehicles equipped with in car video and body cameras were acquired in 10/2025. Those patrol vehicles are assigned to Chief Deputy Jim Wenning and Deputy Bryce Hufford. We do not currently have any other patrol vehicles equipped with in car video and body cameras as this is new technology for our department and is being acquired as funds are available and patrol vehicles are updated. We should be receiving another new patrol vehicle with this equipment in the near future; this vehicle will be assigned to Deputy Ron McCloud.

Also included is a copy of the assigned vehicle policy. Due to the size of our department, all deputies are required to have a take-home patrol vehicle and to have that vehicle ready for response at any given time. As we are a small agency and our county is rural in nature we are each other's backup and must have response capability available at all times.

I hope this answers your questions, feel free to reach out if you need any further assistance or information.

Chief Deputy Jim Wenning