



Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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Media Release

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Re: Notification of Law Enforcement Training

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Hernando County Sheriff's deputies will be participating in a training exercise on Thursday, 02-06-2020, from 7 a.m. through 9 a.m. in the area of Commercial Way and Cortez Boulevard (US-19 & SR-50).

During the training exercise, citizens may see an increased number of law enforcement vehicles in the area and/or at local businesses, including Weeki Wachee Springs.

There is no need for concern as the deputies are participating in a training exercise only. During the short training period, there will be **NO** loud sounds/noises that would cause concern.

If any citizen observes something they believe to be illegal activity occurring in this area, during this time, they should call the Hernando County Sheriff's Office at 352-754-6830 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

The Office of Sheriff:

The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.

Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, ran unopposed in 2016, and remains accountable to them.