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**TYPE OF INCIDENT:** Deputy Arrested for False Police Report

**LOCATION:** Uvas Road, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**CASE NUMBER:** #20-031-0493G (Original Incident)

**DETAILS:**

On January 31, 2020, the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office responded to and investigated an officer-involved shooting incident that occurred on Uvas Road in unincorporated Morgan Hill. It was reported that Deputy Sukhdeep Gill was ambushed while parked along a turnout on the rural county road. After conducting an extensive investigation and looking into all of the evidence according to County protocols, Sheriff's Detectives believed that the evidence suggested that the shooting did not occur as reported and was fabricated.

Deputy Gill was placed on administrative leave pending the criminal and administrative investigations. The investigation was referred to the Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office for review.

The Sheriff's Office was made aware that the District Attorney's Office intended to file formal charges against Deputy Gill for filing a false police report and felony vandalism.

On January 29, 2021, an arrest warrant was issued by the Court and Sheriff's Detectives arrested Deputy Gill, who was booked into the Main Jail without incident.

If the allegations hold true, Deputy Gill's actions are not representative of the upstanding men and women of the Sheriff's Office, who risk their lives every day to serve and protect our community with honesty and integrity.

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