

# Massachusetts State Police ASSISTANCE RENDERED 2022-IMT-20

Report Date: 03/12/2022

Primary Information	
Description:	Missing elderly male - Quabbin
Dissemination Code:	report respect the security of its associated case
Reporting LEO:	Doak, Brian (MSP 3241 / UAV Squad / Massachusetts State Police)
Report Status:	Approved
Report Status Date:	04/30/2022
Approved By:	George, Michael A (msp2998 / Massachusetts State Police)

## Synopsis

SAM B - Active Search Search for Missing Person

Date/Time: 3/11/2022 9:42:00 PM

LOCATION OCCURED - Windsor Dam Gate/Quabbin Reservoir, Ware, MA

Gist: 2142 hrs-(f) witness reports that her (f) witness George Guttler DOB (c) privacy, (f) investigatory

. (f) investigatory vehicle by the Windsor Dam Gate. (f) investigatory Wing requested but unable to fly due to weather. 0215 hrs search terminated after all available means are exhausted. Agencies/Units Involved: [C-7 State Police Belchertown], [K-9 - West], [C-7 State Police Belchertown] Related Subjects Involved: MISSING PERSON - GUTTLER, GEORGE LLOYD (PERSON)

## 03-12-2022 0740 hours

Lt. Cornell contacts Trooper Doak for a missing elderly male at the Quabbin, Air Wing not available. Upon arrival Trooper Doak assists Lt. Claprood and Sgt. Rodriguez in the CP. to establish search operations. While establishing search areas, heavy snow, ice and rain begin. Drone operations grounded. Lt. Claprood running operations in the field, Sgt. Rodriguez (PS) clears CP. Trooper Doak remains in the CP to assist with operations, search patterns, accountability of search teams and assigning search teams, now assisting LT. O'Hara. (SERT).

1530 hours - Trooper Doak deploys the Matrice 300 (break in weather) to assist in identifying a (f) investigatory Upon utilizing the Matrice 300 Trooper Doak returns to the CP and downloads pictures of the search area and photographs taken of the still river and dam, high probability area of missing subject. Information relayed to search teams and Trooper Lemay (MSP Detective Unit)

Heavy snow returns, Trooper Doak remains in CP to assist with operations and search teams.

03-13-2022 0800 hours

Lieutenant Ofcarcik requests MSP search assets to return to C7 to continue the search for GUTLER, George, missing elderly male. Drone Unit requested to assist MSP SERT, DIVE and K9 at C7, Quabbin for a missing elderly male. Trooper Doak responded and utilized the Matrice 300 to conduct searches of waterways, wooded areas and identify hazards for all units involved. (f) investigatory DCR to contact MWRA requesting to

block the dam to allow the area in which the Winvestigatory was located to be walked and searched for the missing subject.

All operations were conducted in class G airspace and remained under 200'AGL. No photos or video were stored. A copy of all flights are attached to this report.

Respectfully submitted, Trooper Brian R. Doak #3241 Massachusetts State Police UAS Section

3/25/2022 1030 hrs

A body was found in the water by Windsor Dam (later confirmed to be George Guttler). UAS Tpr Tiberi enroute to assist SERT and URT during recovery. The environmental conditions were clear skies, 46 degrees F, wind less than 6 MPH and daylight conditions.

During the mission one of the propeller arm friction locks came loose. This was recognized by Tpr Tiberi who immediately brought the drone back to the area of takeoff. The drone landed hard causing damage to one of the landing legs, broke the gimbal mount and several plastic components sustained cracks. It was shipped back to manufacturer for repair. Several items were replaced under



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warranty and the total repair invoice was \$656.00. The most likely cause of the failure was operator error due to distraction or inattention during setup and pre-flight inspection, which was addressed in training.

R/S Lt M George #2998 MSP-DHS-IMAT-UAS

#### Address #1 - EVIDENCE LOCATED #1 - 486 Ware Rd

**Primary Information** 

Address: 486 Ware Rd, BELCHERTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS 01007 UNITED STATES

Subject #1 - MISSING PERSON #1 - Gutler, George		
Primary Information		
Subject Name:	Gutler, George	
Record Type:	PERSON	
Bio:	White, MALE	
Juvenile:	NO	