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Attention all team members and friends of the team:

I received a call at 4:15 am yesterday morning from Sgt McNeil of the Plaq. Parish Office for assistance in connection with a robbery. They had made an arrest and needed to know the path the perp took to where he was arrested. At the same time another perp they were interested in refused to stop and they arrested him for running and the crimes he was wanted for. When I made the call out I had to consider leaving certified teams in the area for call outs because of the distance involved. This made me leave commander Choppin here with the operational dogs. We have New Orleans and Washington Parish to cover and have to have teams ready to respond.

The teams responding were Lola and Lisa, Bandit and Don, and Recon and Chris. Because of the kind of search involved these teams were used for the experience in working in high traffic areas. There had been a pursuit and deputy's all up on and around the levy.

As we arrived on the scene we were briefed and given a basic direction to work the teams. The first area was very thick and we verified that no one had been there or entered the woods. We did this area with Lola as the lead team and Bandit and Recon working to verify Lola's results. We had been told that the perp was retained on the non river side of the levy but after a half mile did not. At this time I made the decision to work on the water side of the levy and Lola made a hit as soon as she got there. The dog weren't on to an area with a large willow tree and circled it three times like someone had spent time there. The other two dogs were brought in to verify this and found the same thing, Chris was able to determine that someone had been there. The grass was knocked down where someone had been. Lola was asked to continue on and went a distance before the trail went back up over the levy. At this time Lola was asked to hit it at a different angle to verify. When she hit it from a different angle the other two teams were asked to verify from different angles to verify. All three teams came back over the levy and went to the area the arrest was made.

An officer was following Lola with a video camera for the record. This detective and others at the scene were pleased with our work and very impressed with the ability of our teams.

It was a very good work out for the three teams and they worked up to our standards and helped the S.O obtain evidence for their case.

A copy of this will be sent to Lt. Gerald Cormier as an official scene report by the team.

It was a pleasure for the team to work with the officers of Plaq. Parish and see how though they are and serious about their mission.