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Drone, sUAS, sUAV, Quadcopter, etc.

- These names are synonymous and interchangeable.
- NSBPD intends to use various models to meet project objectives.
  - Must be controlled by trained pilot with FAA license, and observer (not autonomous).
  - Equipment must remain in visual line of sight.
  - Must adhere to all laws, ordinance, regulations and policy.



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#### Training

- Pilots must complete FAA Part 107 Certification
  - Pilots must pass recurring aeronautical knowledge test every 24 months to remain current.
  - Must remain current with agency proficiency training.
  - Pre-flight checks, pre-flights briefing, authorization, and logs.
- Agency will obtain FAA Certificate of Waiver/Authorization



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#### Operations

- Florida Statute 934.50 prohibits random surveillance
  - (3)(a) "a law enforcement agency may not use a drone to gather evidence or other information."
  - (3)(b) "...may not use a drone equipped with an imaging device to record an image of privately owned real property... with the intent to conduct surveillance..."
  - Any evidence collection using a drone may only be conducted after the agency obtains a search warrant signed by a judge.



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#### Operations

- The use of Unmanned Aerial Systems is intended for:
  - Crime Scene Processing and/or Evidence Documentation.
  - To forestall the imminent escape of a suspect or the destruction of evidence.
  - To manage traffic during summer weekends, holidays, and/or special events.
  - To assist the NSB Fire Department with firefighting and rescue operations.
  - To facilitate the search of missing persons.
  - Upon lawfully executed search warrant, signed by a judge, specifically authorizing the use of sUAS.
  - To achieve other non-criminal objectives, including but not limited to, infrastructure documentation, natural disaster relief, and/or support of other city departments.



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Potential Equipment By DJI





DJI Phantom 4