

Timeline Analysis - Pre-AGR

A Two-Part Analysis

Rev 4

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Starting Point – At Home



Ending Point – At AGR



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This is an update to one of my earliest timeline analyses, which was intended to be the first of three analyses covering the patsy's sightings throughout the day of July 13, 2024. It starts with the patsy being at home in the morning, and ends with him stepping foot on the AGR grounds in the early evening.

Part of the original objectives of this analysis was to determine the locations throughout the day of the patsy's drone, rangefinder, backpack, rifle, and car, before they were known. It contained my first deep dives into the patsy's car and rangefinder, which I later addressed in my "Sidebar Analysis – Patsy's Car" and "Sidebar Analysis – The Rangefinder." This revision will document and further analyze the patsy's morning (first trip to Butler) and afternoon (second trip to Butler) sightings.

NOTE: This is an analysis is based on available evidence, not a speculation of motives or intent of responders..

"July 13 will be my premiere, watch as it unfolds."

(TMC, "the Patsy") – Source: [ABC News](#)

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Introduction

The Timeline

How to read the timeline: This being a timeline analysis , a color-coded timeline is used to track the various activities. The sources used include videos, radio communications , eyewitness testimony, and media articles. The “Time” column is color coded as shown below, and the corresponding source is also highlighted. The countdown to shot 1 is provided for each entry, showing the time remaining before it is fired.

Timestamps: For radio communications, the timestamp is taken from the radio log, which is the start time of the call. For body or dash camera videos, the times in the video are used. Keep in mind that all BuC cameras were 1 second behind actual time. Those timestamps have not been adjusted to actual time. The BeC bodycam videos were 1:39 ahead, and are corrected to actual time, though the video time is also provided. For other rally videos, the timestamp is actual time, and has been synchronized with shot 1, if captured in the video, or synchronized with another known timestamp in a different video. The source video time mark is provided in the timeline table to make it easier to search for.

Video & Other Links: The next slide provides links to the primary video sources numbered 1 through 7, and the radio logs, source 9. The source number is provided in the screenshots. For source number 8 videos, and other sources, a link is provided with the screenshot or in the text.

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Time	Sources			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
16:03:00	Patsy drove around the area (Approximate)	2:08:33				4:34:21						FBI
16:20:00	FAA initiates Temporary Flight Restriction over Butler Farm Show	1:51:33				4:51:21						Task Force
16:26:00	Patsy sighted walking northward in "Vendor Alley"	1:45:33				4:57:21				16:26:00		

1 = Source Number

COLOR CODE:	Timestamp Source	Video	Radio	Vehicle Mentioned		Not In Source Range		Shots Fired	
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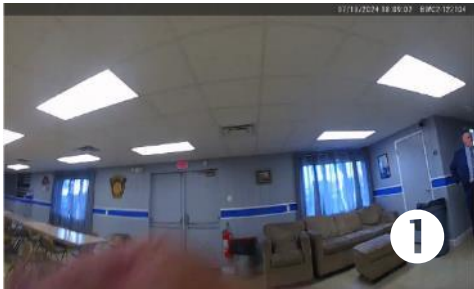
Note: Radio or in person communications transcribed by me from videos states the source video and time mark, and the source type is provided in lieu of channel.

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Source Videos & Radio Communications

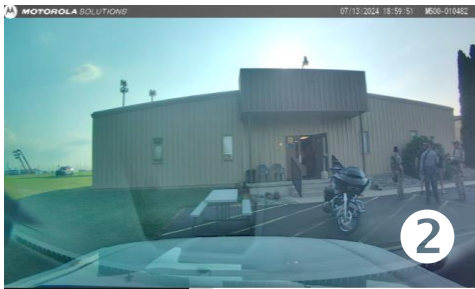
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Dashcams



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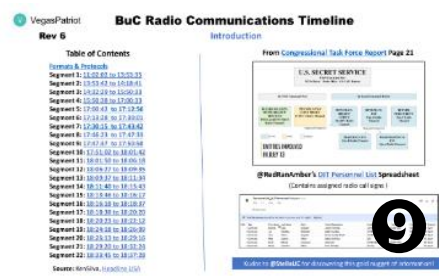
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BuC Fire/EMS Ops Radio



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Introduction

The Patsy Prior to July 13, 2024

September 2019 – (July 29, 2024) The subject conducted multiple searches pertaining to explosive devices as early as September 2019, continuing through this summer. [More in Source]

Spring 2023 – (July 29, 2024) Starting in the spring of 2023, the subject made more than 25 different firearms-related purchases from online firearm's vendor using an alias.

1st Half 2024 – (July 29, 2024) Throughout the first half of 2024, the subject made six chemical precursor-related purchases online of materials used to create the explosive devices recovered in the subject's vehicle and home. And again, for those purchases, he used aliases.

June 2024 – (July 29, 2024) In the 30 days prior to the attack the subject conducted more than 60 searches related to President Biden and former President Trump.

July 3 – (July 29, 2024) The campaign announced its intention to hold a rally in Butler, Pennsylvania...

July 5 – (Added August 28, 2028) Of particular note our investigation identified specific searches conducted on July 5 to include, "When is the DNC convention" and "When is the RNC in 2024".

July 6 – (July 29, 2024) The subject registered to attend the event. That same day, the investigation revealed our subject used an internet search browser to query "how far away was Oswald from Kennedy." (Added August 28, 2024) And that same day he specifically searched for, "How far was Oswald from Kennedy?", "Where will Trump speak from at Butler Farm Show?", "Butler Farm Show podium", and "Butler Farm Show photos."

July 7 – (July 29, 2024) The subject traveled from his home to the site of the rally, spent approximately 20 minutes in the area, including the area around the AGR buildings in what we believe was an early surveillance of the site before heading back home.

July 8 – (Added August 28, 2024) The subject searched, "AGR International."

July 9 – (Added August 28, 2024) He searched, "Ballistic Calculator." A

July 10 – (Added August 28, 2024) He searched, "Weather in Butler."

July 12 – (July 29, 2024) The day before the rally, the subject visited a local shooting range (**Clairton Sportsman Club**) and practiced with what we believe was the same weapon used in the attack. ([FBI Timeline](#) – History of Revisions)

Introduction

Clairton Sportsmen's Club

Crooks became a member of the club — which spans 180 acres in West Mifflin and Jefferson Hills and boasts more than 2,000 members — on Aug. 10, 2023, according to the records from Grassley's office...Crooks signed in for target practice 20 times within the first four months of his membership, the documents showed, and averaged three to six practices per month this year (2024).The club has several rifle ranges, including at least one that is 200 yards...Crooks spent about 80% of his time at the gun club on rifle practice, according to the records...Crooks' last visit to the gun range was logged at 2:45 p.m. on Friday, July 12 (2024).([MonValley Independent](#), August 9, 2024)

Sitting on 180 acres at the top of a roughly half-mile road about a 30-minute drive from the Crooks family home, Clairton Sportsmen's Club is one of the larger gun clubs in the area, said Charles Rondinelli, a freelance writer who wrote several columns for gun enthusiasts for the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review...Five law enforcement agencies train at the facility, he said, and a lot of its members are members of the club. ([NBC](#), July 17, 2024)

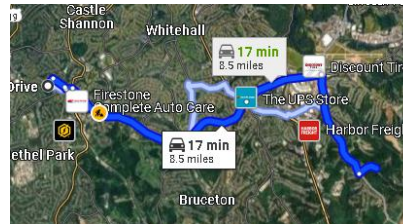
Crooks, 20, visited the Clairton Sportsmen's Club in Pennsylvania on May 22 around 3:10 p.m., where he practiced alone at the rifle range, according to a club logbook obtained by Sen. Chuck Grassley's (R-IA) office.

The very next day, beginning at noon, DHS conducted a "police training" at the range with at least three people, club records show...

Across at least 43 visits, Crooks spent 80% of his time at the club's rifle range — which Grassley's office said showed "intense preparation" for his shot at Trump.

"He focused almost exclusively on the rifle range throughout 2024," the senator's office said in a statement. ([NY Post](#), August 12, 2024)

17 min.
Drive
From
Home



Credit: Carlos Osorio / Reuters

Introduction

Clairton Sportsmen's Club

Peak Prosperity contributor @daniloraf did a detailed analysis of the patsy's visits to the Clairton' Sportsmen's Club. ([@daniloraf Post](#)) Some of the information provided appears to contradict some of the information provided by the Mainstream Media reports above, namely whether or not he always went alone .

Thomas Matthew Crooks Range Data



Credit: @daniloraf (Peak Prosperity)

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CONTEXT

- US Senator Grassley released a pdf file containing scans of the check-in logs archived by Clairton Sportsmen Club, the range where TMC was a member. Link [here](#)
- The purpose of these slides is two-fold: first, it aims to present an overview of TMC's range history. Second, to consider possible investigative leads.

Introduction

July 13, 2024 Evidence Challenges

Trying to put together an accurate timeline for the patsy's activities on July 13, 2024 is a challenge. While there is some hard evidence, some of the evidence is third hand information or lacking in detail. As a result, this analysis will address different scenarios in an attempt to incorporate all evidence from reputable sources, relatively speaking. Some of the challenging evidence includes the following:

1. The AP reported that the patsy parked at a gas station (assumed to be Sheetz), but gives no time, duration, or source for their information. Other media outlets simply state that he parked near the rally. The USSS has not provided detailed information regarding where he parked.
2. While there is some hard timestamp data related to his whereabouts during his two visits to Butler that day, it does not give specific locations.
3. Four news outlets reported within the first four days after the event that the patsy was observed acting suspiciously at the USSS security area, including having his rangefinder detected by the magnetometers, though allowed to enter the rally anyways. The time was stated as 3:00 pm, which conflicts with the FBI's stated time of his arrival, and possibly the 4:26 pm sighting of him walking through Vendor Alley towards security.
4. It is very unlikely that the patsy parked his car once and left it there. He most likely moved his car at least once during his second visit.
5. We only have video evidence for two locations he was sighted at during his second visit, though the FBI has security camera footage that they have not released.

Despite these challenges, I will do my best to reason through the evidence regarding his morning and afternoon visits to produce as accurate of a timeline as possible. If any new evidence arises that proves any of my inferences wrong, I will revise this analysis.

Part 1: Patsy's Morning

The Patsy's Home

The patsy began his day at the family home in Bethel Park, PA. Bethel Park is a borough in Allegheny County, a suburb within the Pittsburgh metropolitan area. It is located approximately 7 miles south of Pittsburgh., and has a population of ~33,000. **Note:** The patsy was scheduled to work that day, but took the day off.

He asked his employer -- a nursing home where he worked as a dietary aide -- to take the day off on the day of the shooting, but said he would be back as soon as the next day, sources said. ([ABC News](#) July 18, 2024)

From Patsy's Home

Butler Farm Show = ~ 1 Hour Drive (42 miles)
 Home Depot = ~4 Minute Drive
 Gun Store = ~4 Minute Drive
 Nursing Home (Work) = ~3 Minute Drive
 Sportsman's Club = ~24 Minute Drive

Credit: Gene J Puskar/AP

2506 Milford Dr, Bethel Park, PA 15102

August 19, 2023
 Patsy's Elantra

[Google Maps](#)

Part 1: Patsy’s Morning

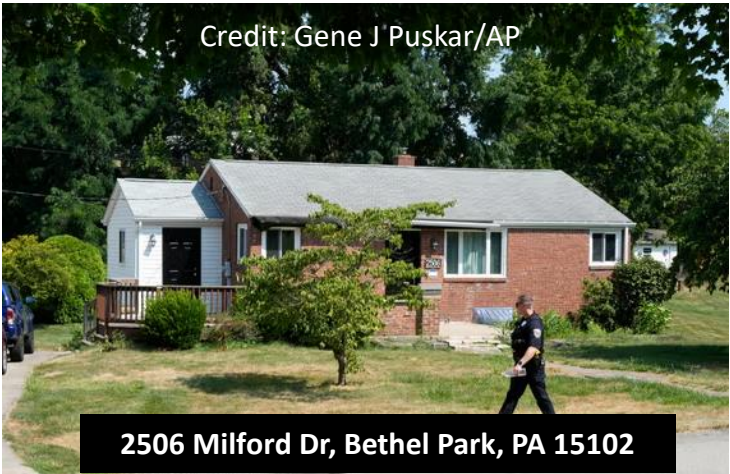
The Patsy’s Buys A Ladder

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9:23:00	Patsy left home to go to Home Depot (Approximate)	8:48:33										Johnson
9:27:00	Patsy entered Home Depot to purchase a 5.5-foot ladder	8:44:33										Johnson
9:42:00	Patsy exited Home Depot after purchasing the 5.5-foot ladder	8:29:33										Johnson

9:27am—Thomas Matthew Crooks, the alleged shooter, enters a Home Depot located in Bethel Park, PA. • CCTV footage of the Home Depot reportedly shows the shooter entering alone.

9:41am—Crooks purchases a 5.5 FT Aluminum Dual Platform ladder.

9:42am—Crooks exits the Home Depot. • CCTV footage of the Home Depot parking lot reportedly captures Crooks exiting the lot by vehicle. The footage could not identify the make/model of the vehicle. ([Sen. Johnson](#), Page 6)



Part 1: Patsy's Morning

The Patsy's Ladder

This Gorilla “5.5 ft. Aluminum Dual Platform Heavy-Duty Ladder” is likely the one purchased by the patsy, as reported by Sen. Ron Johnson. (**Note:** A receipt for the ladder was later found in his pocket.)

The first question is, would it fit in his vehicle? In my “Sidebar Analysis – Patsy’s Car,” I demonstrated that he drove a grey 2021-2023 Hyundai Elantra SE or SEL. That vehicle has an overall width of ~72 in. (6 ft.), and a trunk depth with the rear seats down of ~5 ft. 8 in. It would likely fit in either the back seat crosswise or in the extended trunk. (Recall that he had IEDs and other items in his trunk, and we don’t know when he put those in.) **Since it was not found in his car, where and when did he leave it?**

Regarding the subject’s use of a ladder, the investigation has revealed the subject purchased a ladder at a hardware store the day of the attack. That same ladder was not present with the subject at the Farm Show grounds at the time of the shooting. Our investigation has revealed **the ladder was left at a location near his home**, approximately 50 miles away from the site of the rally in Butler, and to clarify again, it was not used during the course of the attack on July 13. ([FBI](#), July 29, 2024)

New evidence shared by multiple law enforcement officials also reveals that a ladder purchased by Crooks several hours before he opened fire **and a backpack [?]** believed to have belonged to him have been located and are in the possession of federal authorities.

A man driving near the shooter’s home **discovered the ladder and backpack on the side of the road**, according to law enforcement sources from two separate agencies. The person reportedly saw the ladder in that location for several days before deciding to alert authorities. ([KSL TV 5](#))

Given the timing of his ladder purchase and departure for Butler, it is most likely that he brought the ladder with him on his morning trip to Butler. Deciding he didn’t need it to access the roof, he likely left it on the side of the road near his home before returning, not wanting his parents to see it in his car.

[Home Depot](#)



Overall Width:
71.9 in.



Part 1: Patsy's Morning

The Patsy's Ladder

It's somewhat telling that Crooks bought a \$100 ladder, took it to Butler, then dropped it off on the side of the road on his way home. Why he bought it in the first place speaks to his prior planning, or lack thereof, on how he would access the roof. He must have decided during his July 7th scouting trip that he would likely need a ladder to access the roof. (Below is the Task Force report's description of his **July 7th** scouting trip.) He must have figured out that he didn't need it during his morning trip on **July 13th**, or realized how suspicious he would look carrying it onto the AGR property. Just imagine how different the cat and mouse chase with local LEO would have been if Sgt. Greg Nicol saw him carrying that ladder along with his backpack at 6:02 pm.

0948 – 1045: Crooks drove near the Butler Farm Show grounds and conducted a brief walkthrough near the exterior fence line before departing to examine the nearby AGR complex. ([Task Force Report](#), Page 162)

When he was examining the AGR complex on **July 7th**, he likely wasn't looking in between Buildings AAR 6 and AAR 6. He must have spotted that access point the morning of **July 13th**.

Why he ditched the ladder is a no brainer. His parents may have seen it and asked what he needed a ladder for if he was going to the shooting range.

The report ([KSL TV 5](#)) of him leaving a backpack on the side of the road with the ladder doesn't sound right to me. If it's true, what was inside it? If it contained any suspicious items, along with anything that could identify him, there is a slight possibility it may have thwarted his plans if it was opened by police that morning.



Part 1: Patsy’s Morning

The Patsy’s Drive To Butler

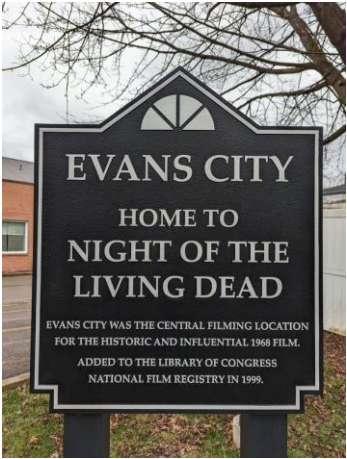
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10:00:00	Patsy left Bethel Park for Butler (Approximate)	8:11:33										FBI

The subject traveled from his home to the site of the rally at approximately 11 a.m. and spent over an hour in that area before traveling home again. (Revised July 30, 2024) The shooter returned to the Butler Farm Show Grounds and remained there for about 70 minutes before returning home.” (FBI, July 29, 2024)

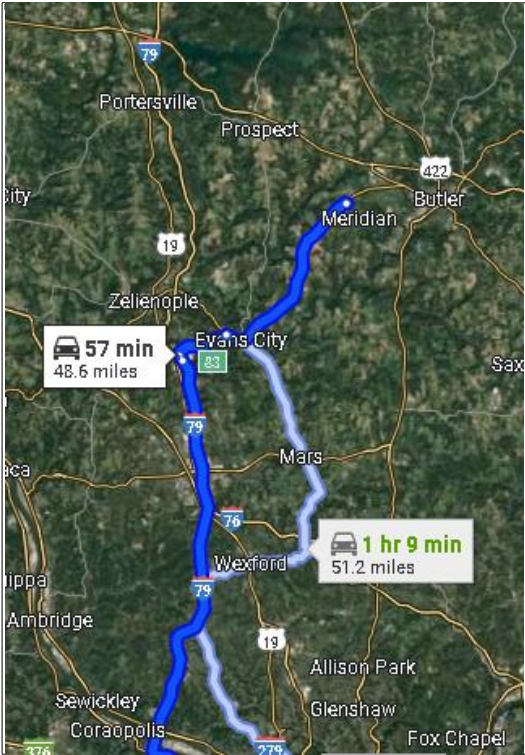
If Departure Time: Left at ~11:00 am, arrived in Butler at ~ 12:00 pm, then left Butler at ~1:10 pm and arrived home at ~2:10 pm. This **WOULD conflict** with the FBI 1:30 pm timeline of him obtaining his rifle from home.

If Arrival Time: Left at ~10:00 am, arrived in Butler at ~ 11:00 am, then left Butler at ~12:10 pm and arrived home at ~1:10 pm. This **WOULD NOT conflict** with the FBI 1:30 pm and 1:55 pm timeline entries.

The FBI provided the Congressional Task Force with a more concrete timeline, corroborating my earlier assessment. It stated that the patsy drove by the Butler Farm Show from 10:59 to 11:05 am. That sounds like the FBI obtained that timeline data from a local business’ security camera that is located along Evans City Road (68), the main route into the area from I-79. We’ll look at those cameras later.



A 59-Minute Drive



Part 1: Patsy’s Morning

The Patsy’s Drives By

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10:15:00	Beaver Co ESU in place	7:56:33										BeC AAR
10:30:00	Snipers in place	7:41:33										BeC AAR
10:40:00	SQ200 parked at BeC post near rally entrance (Photo)	7:31:33	SQ200								10:40:00	

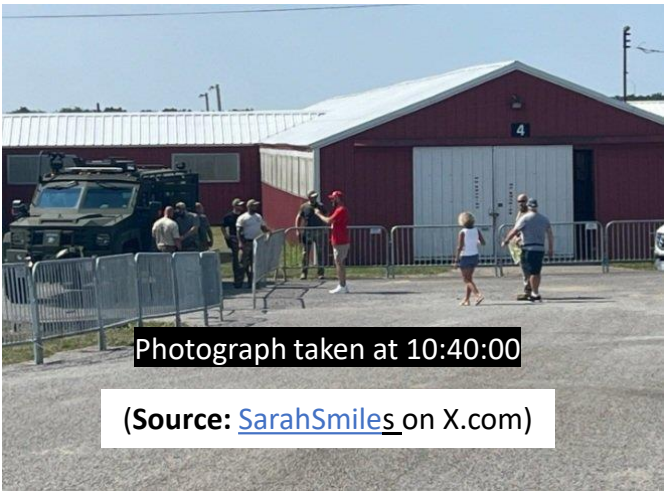
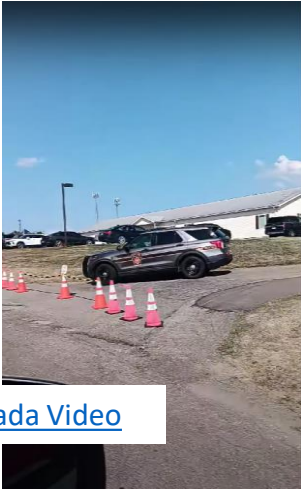
The BeC ESU After Action Report (AAR) states the BeC ESU were in place at their post at 10:15:00 Snipers were in place at 10:30:00. Rally goer Sarah Westbrook (@SarahWestb25653 on X.com) posted three photographs taken at 10:40 am at the BeC ESU post. They must have been taken soon after they arrived, since none of the operators had their full tactical gear on yet. (X.com Post) They would not have seen the patsy driving by, but their chance will come.

There were LEOs who likely would have seen the patsy driving by, however. There were LEOs at the two entrances to the Butler Farm Show who likely did see the patsy drive by, but at that time had no clue he would eventually become a suspicious person and then a threat. Absent a “Be On the Lookout” (BOLO) order for him, or his car, they had no reason to watch for him.

1059–1105: Crooks drove near the Butler Farm Show (Task Force Report, Page 166)



Christy Nevada Video



Photograph taken at 10:40:00

(Source: SarahSmiles on X.com)

Part 1: Patsy’s Morning

Cell Phone Data

PRE-SHOOTING TIMELINE		Shot 1 Countdown	Vehicle Mentioned	Video Source & Time Mark								Radio (Channel) or Other
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10:58:00	Patsy's cell phone data puts him in Butler Farm Show area - Start	7:13:33										HSGAC
10:59:00	Patsy drove near the Butler Farm Show (Likely seen on camera.)	7:12:33	Patsy's Car									Task Force
11:50:00	Patsy's cell phone data puts him in Butler Farm Show area - End	6:21:33				0:21:21						HSGAC
12:10:00	Patsy left Butler for home	6:01:33				0:41:21						FBI

The first piece of evidence we have of the patsy arriving at the Butler Farm Show area is cell phone data provided to the Task Force by the PSP. Using AntennaSearch.com for the Butler Farm Show address, we can see 5 cell towers within a half mile of the Farm Show, though the site lists 6 towers, including registered and non-registered towers.

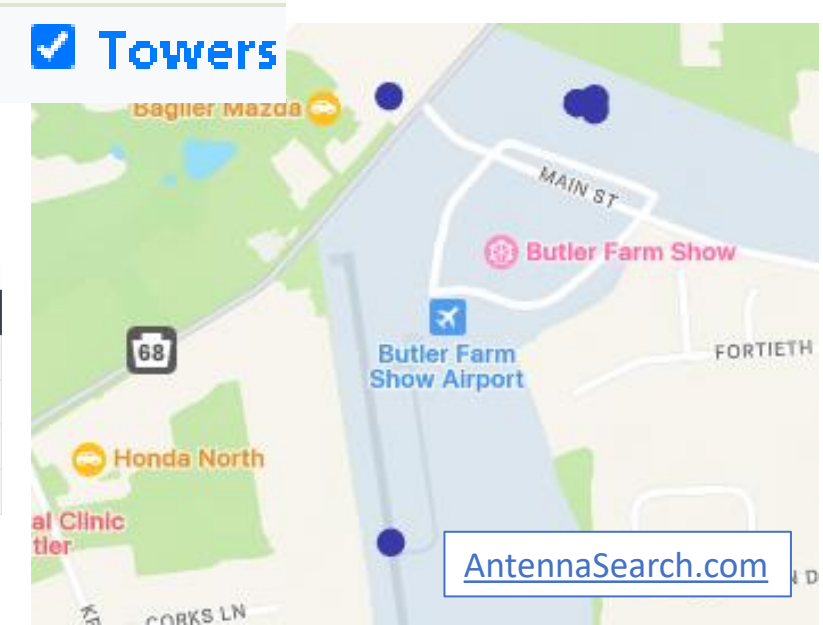
According to PSP, on July 13, Crooks’ cell phone data showed he was at the Butler Farm Show grounds between 10:58 am and 11:50 am. ([Task Force Report](#), Page 167)

The second piece of evidence we have is likely visual confirmation from a local business security cameras, provided to the Task Force by the FBI.(See next slide.)

1059–1105: Crooks drove near the Butler Farm Show ([Task Force Report](#), Page 166)

Registered Towers		
ID	Carrier/Owner	Distance
0	T-mobile	0.1 mi
1	Verizon	0.1 mi
Non-registered Towers		
ID	Carrier/Owner	Distance
7	Verizon	0.1 mi
8	County Motors Inc	0.1 mi
9	T-mobile	0.2 mi
10	Butler Farm Show, Inc.	0.3 mi

Butler Farm Show, 625 Evans City Rd, Butler, PA 16001



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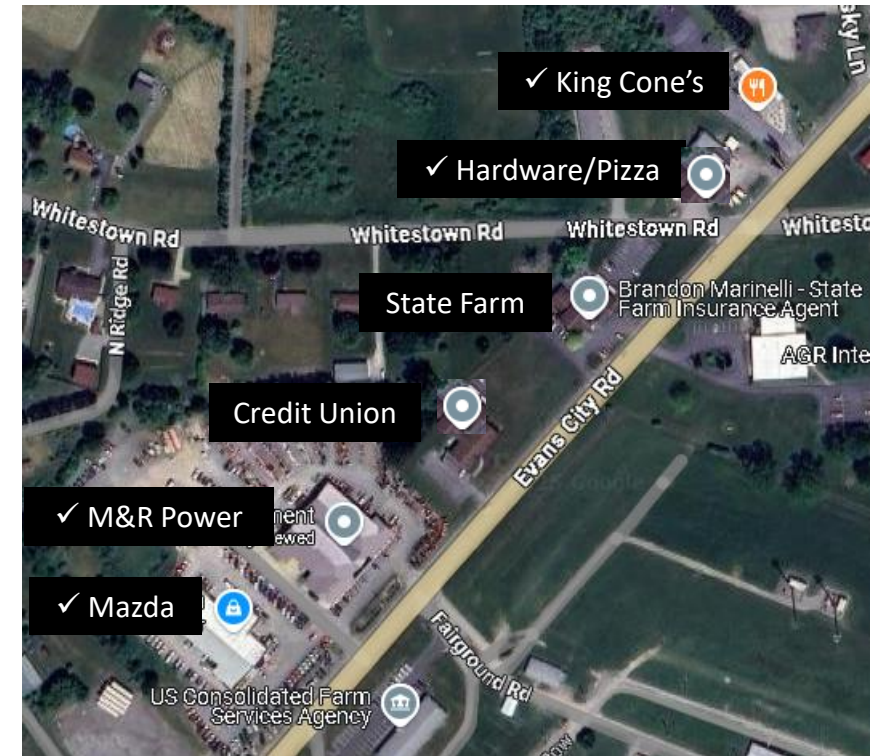
Security Cameras

During trips to Butler, Peak Prosperity contributor @Rough_Gypsy_Country evaluated the local business security cameras along Evans City Road. They are covered in detail in my "Sidebar Analysis – Security Cameras." Those businesses include (# of cameras): Baglier Mazda (1), M&R Power Equipment (2), Horizon Farm Credit Union (0), State Farm Insurance (0?), Hardware/Pizza Pie (1), King Cone's Castle (3). Any one of those cameras could likely have captured the patsy driving along Evans City Road. NBC identified the camera that captured the patsy climbing on the roof.

The source said video recorded from a nearby ice cream shop [King Cone's Castle] shows the shooter using an air-conditioning unit to climb onto the rooftop of a building to get into position about 450 feet from where Trump was starting his speech. (Source: [NBC](#))



Camera that likely captured the patsy entering AGR property at 5:56 pm and accessing the AAR 6 roof. at 6:05 pm.



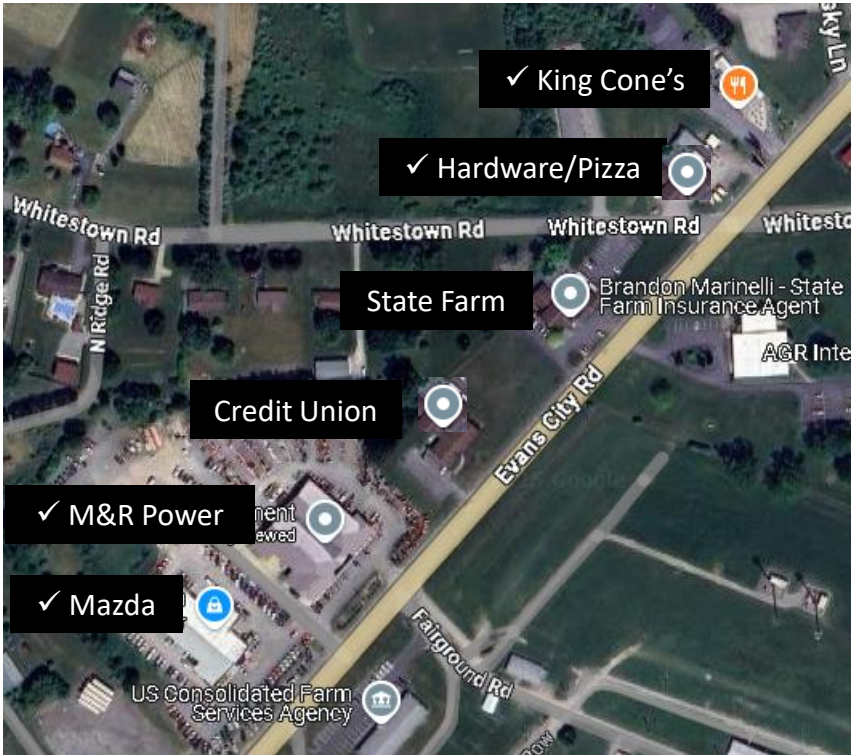
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Morning Visit Timeline (Summary)

Let’s pause and take a summary look at the patsy’s morning trip to Butler from a timeline perspective..

1. **Where did he go?** We know two things about where the patsy went. First, the FBI provided evidence to the task Force showing that he drove near the Farm Show. That evidence was likely based on security cameras from one or more local businesses along Evans City Road. Those range from Baglier Mazda to King Cone’s Castle, a 1-minute drive on a normal day, but very likely a 6-minute drive on the day of the rally during peak arrival time for rally goers. The second is PSP cell phone tracking data that places the patsy “at the Butler Farm Show grounds.” That data includes the time he was likely driving along Evans City Road, so we shouldn’t interpret it to mean on the grounds themselves,. He also had to park and walk to the grounds.
2. **What did he do?** Other than driving , parking and walking to and from the Farm Show grounds, we have little if any information about what he did or specifically where he did it. We can assume that he spent some time surveying the AGR complex, where he likely discovered his roof access point that did not require a ladder. We can also assume he was scoping out the stage setup, since it was the first chance he had to see it.
3. **Does it fit the timeline?** The timeline very clearly aligned with the timestamps of his Home Depot shopping trip and his obtaining the gun and ammo.

Time	Activity	Delta
10:00:00	Patsy left Bethel Park for Butler (Approximate)	
10:58:00	Patsy at Farm Show grounds per cell phone data - Start	0:58:00
10:59:00	Patsy drove near the Butler Farm Show (Likely on camera.) - Start	0:01:00
11:05:00	Patsy drove near the Butler Farm Show (Likely on camera.) - End	0:06:00
11:50:00	Patsy at Farm Show grounds per cell phone data - End	0:45:00
12:10:00	Patsy left Butler for home (~11:00 am + 70 minutes)	0:20:00



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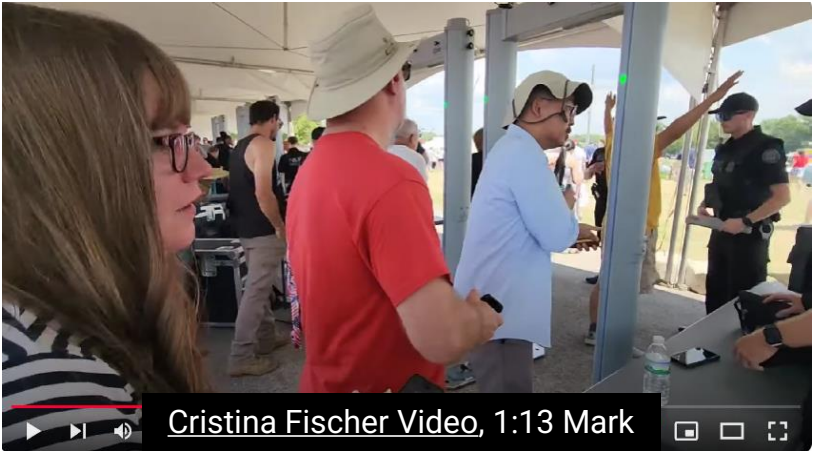
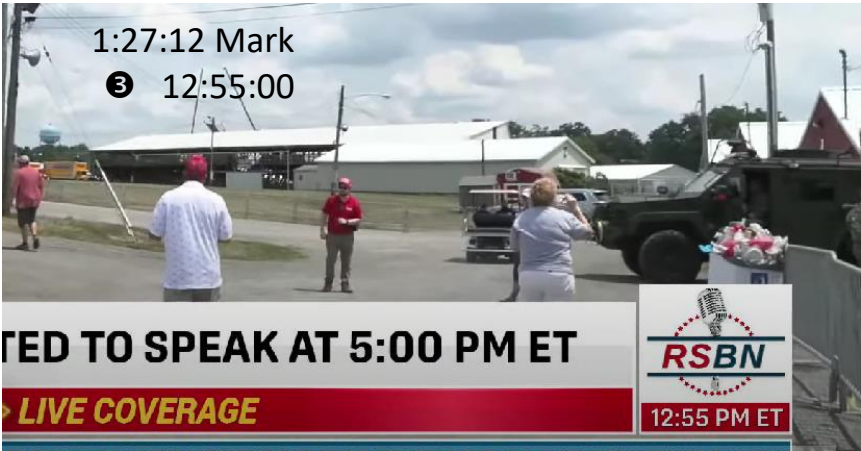
The Rally Venue Opens

PRE-SHOOTING TIMELINE		Shot 1 Countdown	Vehicle Mentioned	Video Source & Time Mark								Radio (Channel) or Other
				Body Cams	Dash Cams	RSBN Live	PBS	NTD	Ironclad USA	Jon Malis	Other Rally Videos	
Time	Sources			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12:55:00	SQ200 parked at BeC post near rally entrance (Video)	5:16:33	SQ200			1:26:21					1:27:14	
13:00:00	USSS opened magnetometers allowing public entrance to rally	5:11:33				1:31:21						FBI
13:10:00	Patsy arrived home from Butler (Approximate)	5:01:33				1:41:21						FBI

The BeC ESU and WRSWAT were spotted by RSBN as they walked from vendor alley to the area where rally goers were in the queue to enter security. The patsy walked that same path on his way to the security entrance later in the day during his trip to Butler.

The USSS opened the magnetometers to the public approximately 10 minutes before the patsy arrived home. He apparently didn’t plan to enter the venue during his first trip that day. Interestingly, the FBI gave more information about his July 7th trip than they did this one.

July 7 – The subject traveled from his home to the site of the rally, spent approximately 20 minutes in the area, including the area around the AGR buildings in what we believe was an early surveillance of the site before heading back home. (FBI, July 29, 2024)



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Patsy Gets His Gun

PRE-SHOOTING TIMELINE		Shot 1 Countdown	Vehicle Mentioned	Video Source & Time Mark								Radio (Channel) or Other
				Body Cams	Dash Cams	RSBN Live	PBS	NTD	Ironclad USA	Jon Malis	Other Rally Videos	
Time	Sources			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13:30:00	Patsy got rifle from home	4:41:33				2:01:21						FBI
13:45:00	Patsy left his home, told parents he's going to shooting range.	4:26:33				2:16:21						Task Force

~1:30 p.m. - The subject obtained the rifle from his residence and informed his parents he was heading to a nearby shooting range. ([FBI](#), July 29, 2024)

1345: Crooks left his residence, telling his parents he was going to a local shooting range. ([Task Force Report](#). Page 167)

Law enforcement sources tell Fox news that the rifle Crooks used at Trump’s rally on Saturday was a DPMS AR-15 that uses ammunition with a 5.56 mm diameter... Crooks’ father purchased the firearm in 2013. ([FOX News](#), July 31, 2024)

FBI special agents arrived on scene shortly thereafter and, together with ATF special agents, began to interview Crooks’ father at 11:57 p.m. During the interview, Crooks’ father stated that he had previously sold the rifle to his son for \$500. ([Task Force Report](#). Page 117)

MAGPUL high-density plastic upper buttstock. ([Higgins](#), Page 6)



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Patsy Purchases Ammo

PRE-SHOOTING TIMELINE		Shot 1 Countdown	Vehicle Mentioned	Video Source & Time Mark								Radio (Channel) or Other
				Body Cams	Dash Cams	RSBN Live	PBS	NTD	Ironclad USA	Jon Malis	Other Rally Videos	
Time	Sources			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13:55:00	Patsy purchased ammo in Bethel Park while en route to Butler	4:16:33				2:26:21						FBI

~1:55 p.m. – (Added July 30, 2024) About 25 minutes later, the shooter purchased ammunition while en route to the Butler Farm Show Grounds. We assessed the ammunition used the day the attack was purchased legally that day. The subject brought 50 rounds at a local gun store. (FBI)

In a July 15, 2024 article, the [Pittsburg Post-Gazette](#) reported being told by the store’s representative that the patsy purchased 50 rounds of ammunition for what FBI officials described as a collapsible DPMS AR-15 rifle that was chambered for 5.56-millimeter cartridge. The FBI stated (below) that he purchased Hornady .223 Remington caliber cartridges . According to [Remington](#), you can safely shoot “223” Remington ammunition in a rifle chambered for “556.” However, you should never shoot a “556” in a rifle chambered for a “223.”

Allegheny Ammo & Gun Works, 4603 Library Rd, Bethel Park, PA 15102



Credit: Tim Robbizaro/ For The Post-Gazette



4-minute Drive From Home

FBI identified two .223 caliber (5.56 mm) copper bullet jackets as having been fired through Crooks’ rifle...

The FBI also identified two lead bullet cores that were consistent with a .223 caliber bullet. An examination of the ammunition collected by the FBI found .223 Remington caliber cartridges with a federal ammunition headstamp, 5.56 NATO cartridges with an Advance Armament Corporation ammunition headstamp, and .223 Remington caliber cartridges with a Hornady ammunition headstamp. The ammunition with the Hornady headstamp is consistent with Crooks’ purchase of 50 rounds of Hornady .223 Remington caliber cartridges in Bethel Park, Pennsylvania on July 13 while en route to the rally. [Task Force Report](#). Page 125)

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Part 1 Timeline Review

Time	Activity	Delta	Comments
9:27:00	Patsy entered Home Depot to purchase a 5.5-foot ladder		He took 15 minutes to find and purchase the ladder.
9:42:00	Patsy exited Home Depot after purchasing the 5.5-foot ladder	0:15:00	He most likely left for Butler from the Home Depot since it was on his way. It was a 14 minte round trip to home and back if he did, and there was ~4 minutes to spare. What would have been the reason?
10:00:00	Patsy left Bethel Park for Butler (Approximate)	0:18:00	
10:59:00	Patsy drove near the Butler Farm Show (Likely seen on camera.)	0:59:00	
12:10:00	Patsy left Butler for home (Approximate)	1:11:00	He obviously made the 59-minute trip without stopping. The 6 minutes was just the time seen on camera(s)..
13:10:00	Patsy arrived home from Butler (Approximate)	1:00:00	He remained in the area for a total of about 70 minutes before returning home.
13:30:00	Patsy got rifle from home	0:20:00	He made the 59-minute trip without stopping, other than to take his ladder out of the car near home.
13:45:00	Patsy left his home, told parents he's going to shooting range.	0:15:00	He loaded his rifle and backpack in his car. Did he also load the explosive devices in his trunk then?
13:55:00	Patsy purchased ammo in Bethel Park while en route to Butler	0:10:00	He lied to his parents about going to the shooting range, then left. It was the time they ever saw each other.
			He most likely spent some time after purchasing the ammo to load his magazines, perhaps in the parking lot.

Let’s pause and recap a little. Since the patsy was said to have “*obtained the rifle from his residence*” AFTER his morning trip to Butler, we can safely rule out that he hid the rifle at or near the AGR complex during that trip. as many citizen investigators believed early in the in the investigation . The same holds true for his backpack, which he carried his rifle in when accessing the roof.

As stated in the timeline excerpts above, he most likely loaded his newly purchased ammo into his magazines right after he purchased them. The reason for his purchase was most likely due to expending what ammo he had at the shooting range the day before the rally.

The question remains, when did he place the explosive devices in his trunk? Some speculate that they were planted in his trunk while it was parked on Whitehouse Road across from the AGR main entrance. I speculate that the patsy loaded them into his trunk at home on the day of the rally, either when his parents were asleep, likely while still dark, or while theye were away from home.

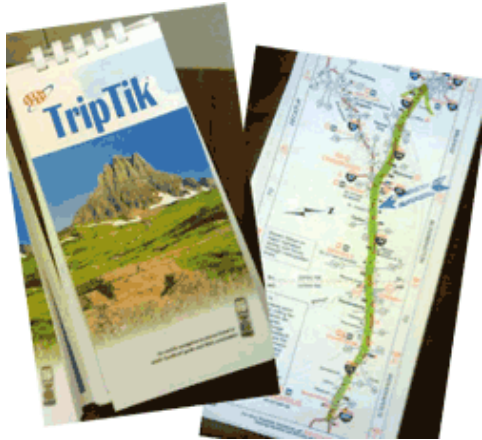


In the Hyundai Sonata he drove to the rally, investigators said, he left behind two rudimentary explosive devices, **several magazines for the rifle he used**, a bulletproof vest and the drone that may have been used earlier in the day. ([NYT](#), July 19, 2024)



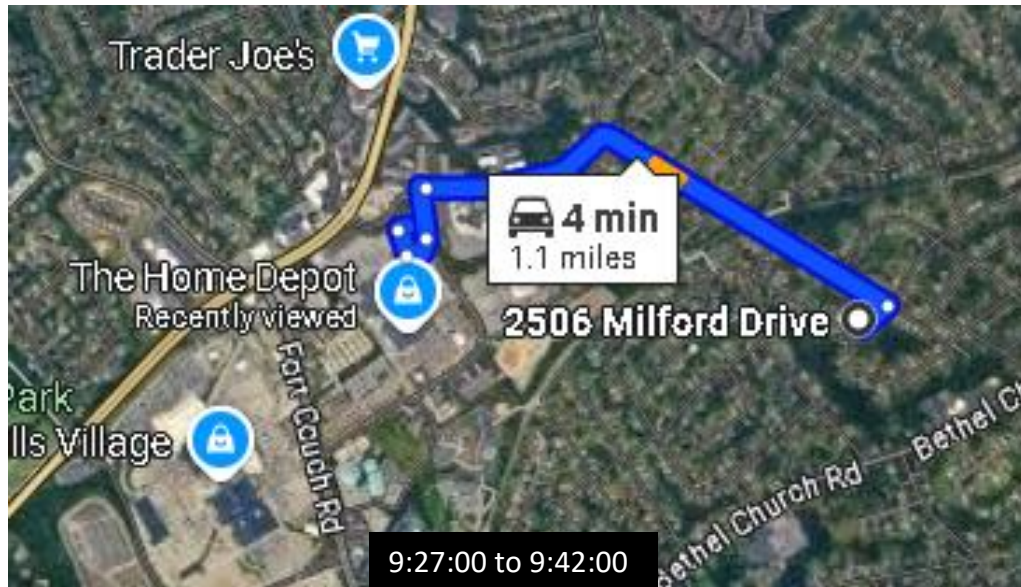
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The Patsy's Morning "Trip-Tik"

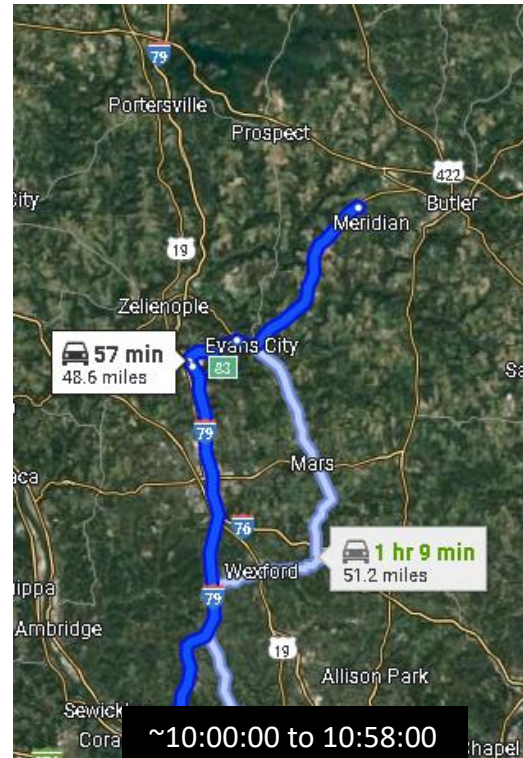


You may not be old enough to remember the Automobile Association of America's (AAA) "Trip Tik" road travel planning guides that pre-dated the computerized ones, but that is the format I will use to summarize the patsy's travels on July 13, 2024. A "Trip Tik" was a small booklet containing pages of successive road maps that were used to mark your entire route, with a highlighter pen, by your AAA representative. With that in mind, here is the patsy's July 13, 2024 "Trip Tik" for his morning trip to Butler, with timestamps. (**Note:** Google Maps drive times vary based on when accessed, so may vary slightly throughout this analysis.)

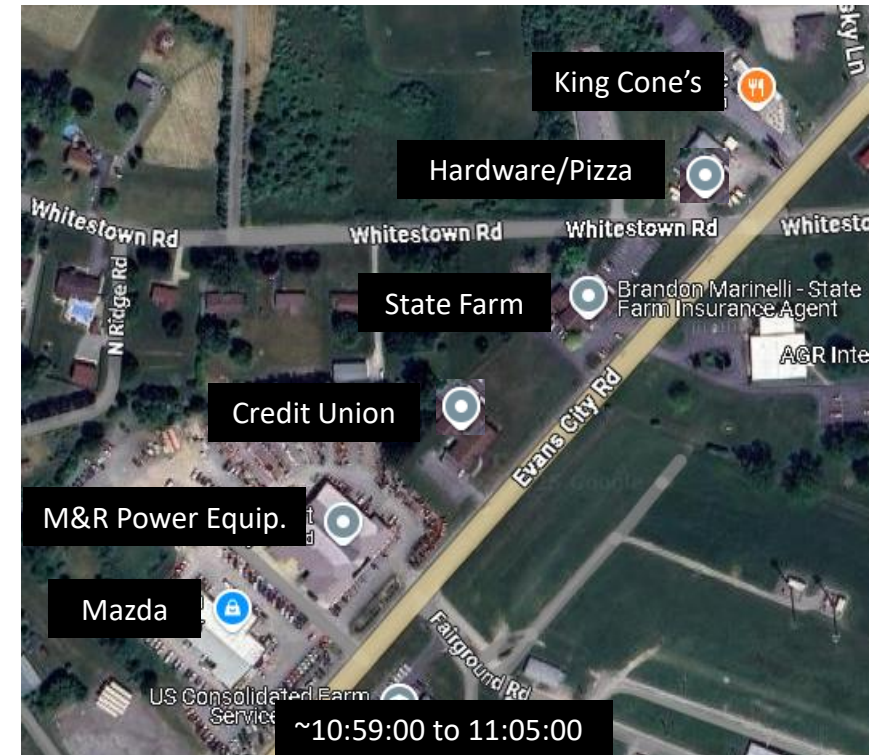
Travel from home to Home Depot to purchase ladder at 9:41:00.



Travel to Butler



Drive along Evans City Road



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The Patsy's Morning "Trip-Tik"

He dumped the ladder somewhere in his neighborhood on the way home.

He obtained his rifle from home at 13:30:00, and at 13:45:00 told his parents he was going to the shooting range (Clairton Sportsmen's Club.) He then loaded up his rifle and drove to Allegheny Ammo & Gun Works to purchase ammo.

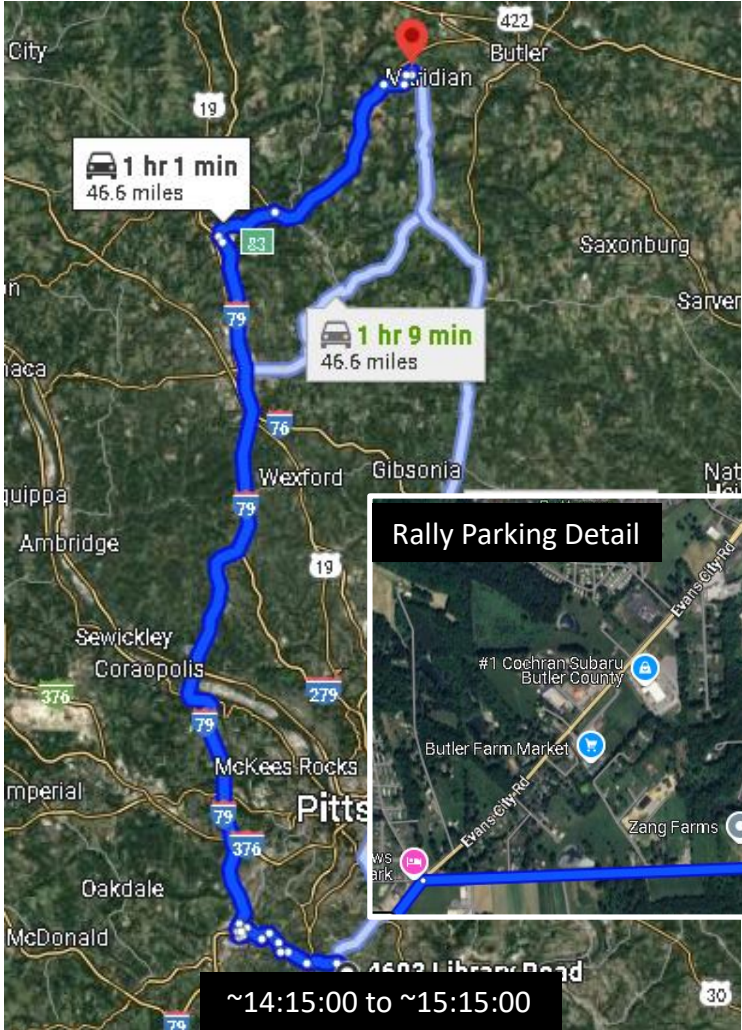
Drive to Home from Butler



Drive to gun store to purchase ammo at 13:55:00

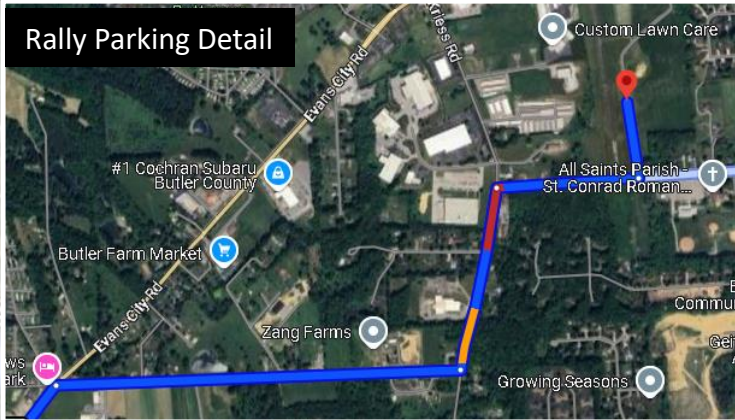


Drive from Gun Store to Butler Rally



Assumes media reports of patsy entering the secure perimeter at ~3:00 pm were true, and using the estimated time of 3:15 pm, calculated later.

Rally Parking Off Buttercup Lane



Route avoids Evans City Road security cameras.

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Patsy Returns To Butler

PRE-SHOOTING TIMELINE		Shot 1 Countdown	Vehicle Mentioned	Video Source & Time Mark								Radio (Channel) or Other
				Body Cams	Dash Cams	RSBN Live	PBS	NTD	Ironclad USA	Jon Malis	Other Rally Videos	
Time	Sources			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
15:00:00	Patsy observed as suspicious at USSS security screening area	3:11:33				3:31:21						Media
15:37:00	Patsy's cell phone tracked to be near the "staging location"	2:34:33				4:08:21						Task Force
15:45:00	Patsy confirmed to be back in Butler at site of rally (3:48 pm per Task Force Report)	2:26:33				4:16:21						FBI

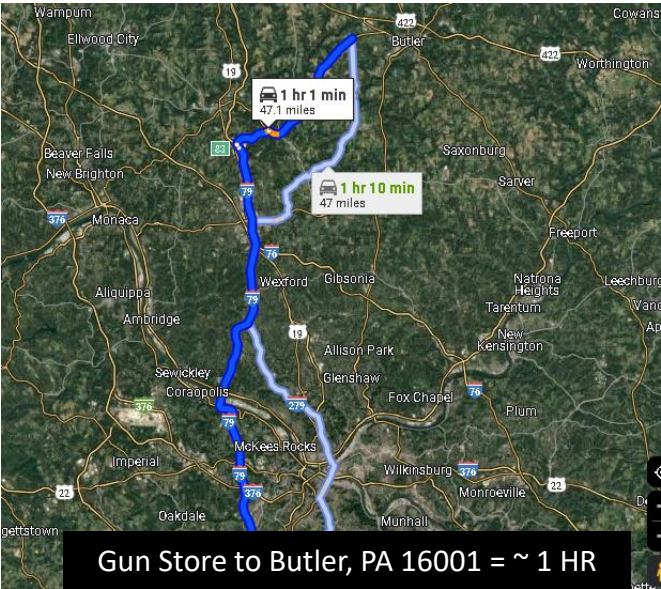
Here we begin Part 2 of this analysis. This analysis also focuses on the patsy’s travels, but also includes a few sightings. Like Part 1, a “Trip Tik” will be eventually be created to show his travels throughout the afternoon. First, however, we should examine some of the key evidence for that trip.

That evidence, especially the three timestamps above, appear to conflict with each other. For example, how could the patsy be at the security screening area at 3 pm when the FBI states that he arrived at 3:45 pm. After analyzing the evidence, I have uncovered travel routes and times that meet all of the critical timestamps.

Then, Crooks drove his Hyundai Sonata [Elantra] about an hour north, joining thousands of people from around the region who flocked to Trump’s rally in Butler, Pennsylvania. He parked the car outside the rally,... (CNN, July 15, 2024)

Crooks, 20, parked at a gas station [Sheetz] about one third of a mile from the event. (AP, July 21, 2024)

Note: An AP article was the only media report of specifically where he parked, upon arrival, but it gave no time for when he arrived.



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The Patsy's Car

Where did the patsy really park? In my “Sidebar Analysis – The Patsy’s Car,” I demonstrate that the patsy drove a grey 2021-2023 Hyundai Elantra SE or SEL, not a Sonata. It was a collective work by multiple Peak Prosperity contributors. We first speculated that it was the Elantra parked across from the AGR main entrance. When the FBI released the trunk evidence photo, we confirmed our speculation to be correct. It wasn’t until the Congressional Task Force released their final report on December 5, 2024 that we got confirmation from the FBI of where the patsy parked his car, but still no make or model.

According to the FBI, Crooks parked his vehicle on Whitestown Road in the vicinity of AGR and returned to his vehicle several times between 4:44 p.m. and 5:47 p.m.²⁴¹

²⁴¹ Production to Task Force, Fed. Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Dep’t of Justice, FBI Timeline Related to Thomas Crooks: 03 July 2024 – 13 July 2024, 1 (Nov. 5, 2024) (on file with the Task Force); Briefing from Fed. Bureau of Investigation to Task Force Staff (Aug. 21, 2024) (notes on file with Task Force Majority Staff). ([Task Force Report](#), Page 37)

When did the patsy park there? With the Elantra confirmed as the patsy’s car, we are now left with the question of when he parked it there. This is a critical question in this analysis, as we examine the patsy’s travels throughout the day and especially in Butler..

The report statement above leaves us with some specific questions, as follows:

1. Does this apply to his first visit to Butler that day, as well, or just his second visit?
2. At what time did he park it there?
3. When the patsy returned to his vehicle several times, did he drive and repark it there at all?

For the sake of this analysis, I will make the following assumptions unless other evidence contradicts it:

1. That statement does not apply to the patsy’s first visit that day.
2. The patsy first parked at Sheetz, as reported by the AP, but did not keep it parked there.
3. The patsy was parked on Whitestown Road between 4:44 pm and 5:47 pm, and did not drive it again.

Across From AGR Main Entrance



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Patsy Observed at USSS Security Area

Regarding the “3 pm” account of the patsy going inside the rally, it always seemed to be an erroneous timestamp due to the FBI reporting his arrival time as 45 minutes later.. That account was provided by the FBI before the IronClad USA video was released capturing the patsy walking through Vendor Alley at 4:26 pm.. (I’ll address that when the time comes in the timeline.) To me it was more logical that the patsy entered the secure perimeter at around 4:30 pm. He was heading in the direction of the rally entrance and was only about 4 minutes away from it in the Vendor Alley location he was sighted at.

I will evaluate these reports by answering three critical questions, as follows:

1. Are these reports believable?
2. Were there local LEOs in that area?
3. Is the 3:00 pm timestamp accurate?

By 3 p.m. on Saturday, roughly three hours before the shooting, Crooks was at the security screening area for the rally. He first aroused suspicion when he passed through the magnetometers carrying a rangefinder, which looks similar to a small pair of binoculars and is used by hunters and target shooters to measure distances when setting up a long-range shot, according to a senior law enforcement official briefed on the investigation. The rangefinder would not have prevented Crooks from getting through the security screening point, but it did attract the attention of security personnel who kept an eye on him until he left the secure area. Investigators are unsure of where Crooks went after he left the screening area but the working theory is that he went to his car to retrieve the rifle. ([CNN](#), July 17, 2024) (**Note:** The AP is not credited in the article.)

He set off the metal detector at the rally entrance because he was carrying a rangefinder — a type of eyepiece scope often used by hunters or golfers to determine far-off distances on the fly. Despite the unusual item, Crooks breezed right through the entry gates. It wasn’t even confiscated, and a rooftop counter-sniper team would later report Crooks was scoping them out with his rangefinder while they watched him with theirs. Security personnel reportedly kept their eyes on the 20-year-old until he was past the secure area. But it wasn’t long before he drew the suspicion of officials again — not once but twice — and was even photographed and reported. ([NYP](#), July 17, 2024) (**Note:** The AP is not credited in the article. See article timeline for 3:00 pm timestamp.)

“Terrifying moment... looking back at my videos from the PA Butler Trump rally on 7/13/24. We were there just trying to sell our patriotic hats from my small business. Captured a video of Thomas Matthew Crooks at 4:26pm, just before the assassination attempt occurred. Interesting he was wearing shorts instead of pants, which he later had on, and he has no bags with him at this moment.”
(IronClad USA)



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Patsy Observed at USSS Security Area

At least four news outlets independently reported that local police officers observed the patsy acting suspiciously at the magnetometers , and/or received complaints from rally goers of the same, and that the Secret Service was informed about it. The USSS operated the magnetometers and should have observed the patsy first hand.

It was there [security] that one person caught the attention of authorities: Crooks was spotted by local law enforcement, who thought he was acting suspiciously near the magnetometers, according to a senior law enforcement official. **They put it out over their radio to keep an eye on him – and that information was passed to the Secret Service as well**, according to the source. ([CNN](#), July 14, 2024)

Several rallygoers reported to local officers that Crooks was acting suspiciously and pacing near the magnetometers, according to a law enforcement official who spoke on the condition of anonymity because the official was not authorized to discuss the investigation. ([AP](#), July 15, 2024)

He was also seen walking around near the magnetometers **minutes [?]** before the shooting, according to law enforcement sources. Some witnesses reported him as a suspicious person, law enforcement sources said. ([ABC News](#), July 17, 2024)

Given that four news outlets independently reported that event, I have to assume that it did occur. The reports all came within 4 days of July 13th, and although early reporting can be fraught with error, all of the articles state local LEOs as their source, one even referencing a senior LEO. Those officers would be less likely to display some of the effects of what I call “The Fallibility of Human Memory,” namely forgetting details over time after the event, or blending memories of prior events or with information learned since the event. The reports all refer to the patsy, who the FBI identified on July 14th as being the shooter. Since photos of him were taken on the day of the event, most LEOs would have been able to know if that’s who they saw that day since their memory of who they saw would still be fresh in their mind. (There are a few LEOs who that statement doesn’t apply to, which I’ll cover later.)



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Patsy Observed at USSS Security Area

Were there local LEOs in the area? According to the Task Force Final Report, Figure 9, there were at least a few PSP and BuC Sheriffs posted near the magnetometers, though the diagram did not depict its actual locations. There was also a post south of the BeC ESU/WRSWAT post, and CAT #2 Commander Shane testified to seeing 2 PSP troopers and the BuC Sheriff walk by.

[Shane] **A.** So, like I said, I only encountered two Secret Service agents, and that was post shooting. I -- we saw maybe two troopers the entire day that passed.

Q. You mean Pennsylvania --

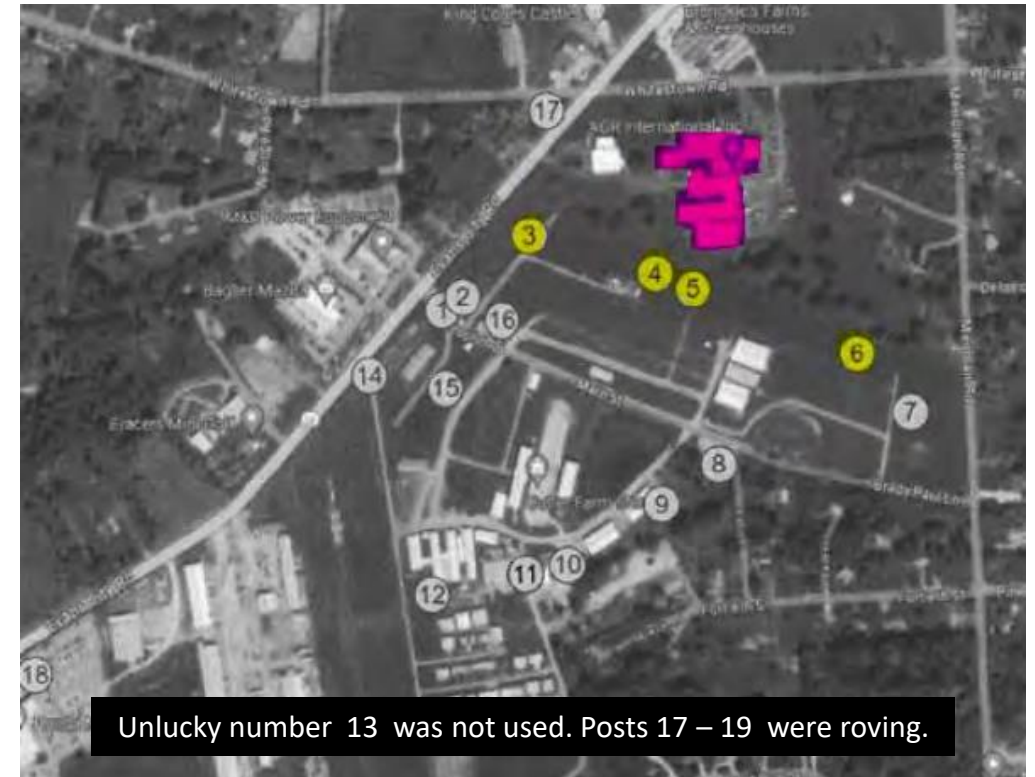
A. Pennsylvania State troopers that had passed our checkpoint. And whether they were coming from the main entrance around that roadway and onto the property, but, per our briefing, the majority of the Pennsylvania State Police would be in sector 1 and sector 2. So I didn't think that that was odd. The only uniformed local officer that I saw was the sheriff of Butler County. I didn't know if he had any deputies on site. ([Task Force Transcript](#), Page 85)

I did not see any local LEOs in the limited footage we have of the magnetometers. I don't recall seeing any earlier in the day as RSBN filmed their walkalong Vendor Alley and near the rally entrance, but I did not do an exhaustive review of it.



[Columbia Dispatch](#), 0:24 Mark

From Fig. 9 – PSP and Butler County Sheriff's Posts



([Task Force Report](#), Page 52)

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Patsy Observed at USSS Security Area

Could the reported time, 3 pm, be correct? We have two hard timestamps that act as bookends to the 3 pm rally entrance event. Before that there was the ammo purchase at 13:55:00, most likely the actual purchase time based on receipts from the store or the patsy's banking information.

~1:55 p.m. – (Added July 30, 2024) About 25 minutes later, the shooter purchased ammunition while en route to the Butler Farm Show Grounds. We assessed the ammunition used the day the attack was purchased legally that day. The subject brought 50 rounds at a local gun store. ([FBI](#))

The media reports about the patsy being observed at or near the magnetometers , at 3 pm, do not provide the specific source of that timestamp. It was most likely provided by the local LEOs who anonymously reported observing the events. They could have stated that it occurred “*around 3:00 pm,*” instead of giving an exact time, so we should not consider it a hard timestamp.

The 15:37:00 cell phone data placed him “*in the vicinity of the “staging location.”*” As seen below, that was provided to the Task Force by the PSP, who most likely obtained cell phone tracking information from the patsy's service provider. That would be a hard timestamp taken from digital records of when the patsy's cell phone accessed the cell tower(s). However, based on the methodology used to track his phone, it's exact location cannot be determined, which will be demonstrated below.

1537: Crooks' phone location data showed that he was in the vicinity of the “staging location.”⁹⁰⁶

⁹⁰⁶ Production to the Task Force, Penn. State Police, PSP Response to Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs - Final 8.14.24, 54 (2024) (on file with the Task Force). ([Task Force Report](#), Page 167)

The next timestamp is an approximate time, so it is not a hard timestamp. The FBI did not provide the source of that timestamp, but I suspect it was a security camera(s) along Evans City Road, which the FBI relied on for two other whereabouts of the patsy. It also offers no specific location. It was merely used as confirmation that he was in Butler at the site of the rally. That does not surprise me knowing how the FBI never confirmed where the patsy parked his car.

At approximately 3:45 p.m., the investigation confirmed the subject again arrived in Butler at the site of the rally. ([FBI](#), July 29, 2024, Rojek)

The Task Force Final Report stated this time as being **3:48 pm** based on the timeline provided by the FBI.). ([Task Force Report](#), Page 24)

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Cell Phone Tracking

How accurate was the tracked cell phone location provided by PSP? That depends on the methodology used and other variables. According to Google AI, triangulation is the most common method used, and can generally pinpoint a location within a few hundred meters. (**Note:** 200 meters = 656.168 feet, or 0.124 miles.) Some of the factors impacting cell phone tracking accuracy include the following:

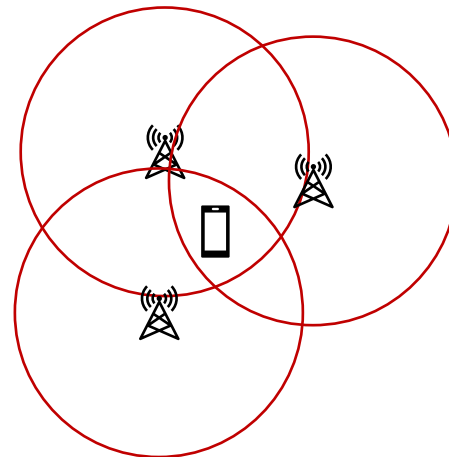
1. **Number of towers:** You can track with one or more towers, but three (triangulation) is more accurate than one or two towers.
2. **Distance of Towers:** Tracking is more accurate the closer the towers are. Some experts state, however, that towers too close can reduce accuracy.
3. **Tower Technology:** Cell towers with 5G technology are more accurate than 2G, 3G, or 4G.
4. **Obstructions in Area:** Buildings, vehicles, trees, etc.

Using a little more precise accuracy of **150 meters (492 feet)**, the diagram below shows a circle around the security screening area, assuming that is what was meant by “*staging location*,” defined by Cambridge Dictionary as “**staging area**: a place where people gather before going somewhere or doing something.” (**Note:** A cell phone has to be connected to the network, and not in airplane mode, for it to be recorded by the service provider and retroactively tracked.)

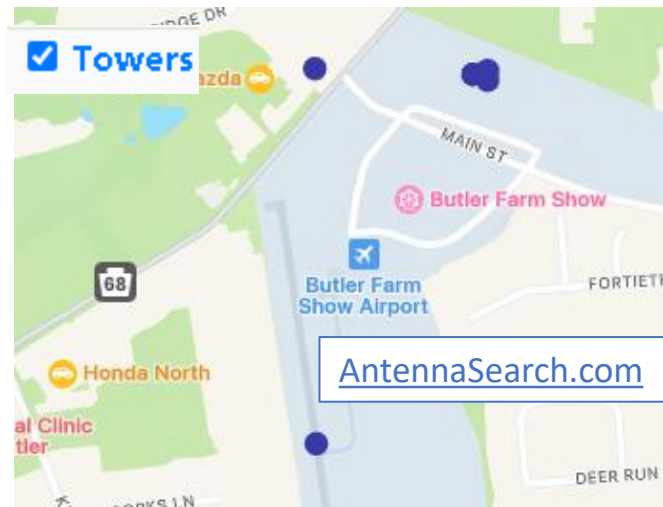
AI Overview

The accuracy of cell phone tracking methodologies, primarily using cell tower triangulation, varies depending on the environment, but can generally pinpoint a phone location within a few hundred meters in urban areas with dense cell towers, while in rural areas, accuracy can be much lower, spanning several kilometers; essentially, the more towers a phone can connect to, the more precise the location determination will be. ([Google](#))

Triangulation



Butler Farm Show - Cell Towers < 0.5 mi.



Accuracy = 200 Meters



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Staging Location

Those three timeline entries are a bit tight for my liking. So, I went back and re-evaluate the “staging location” and see if I could put that in a different location , one that would loosen up the timeline a bit. As previously stated, neither the HSGAC, Task Force, or DHS investigations use that term. However, there were two local LEOs, per se, that did use the term “staging” during their interviews. One was BuC QRF officer Kopas, but he used it in reference to the QRF staging location, which was the AGR north barn. The other was Charlie May, BuC EMS Technology Specialist who was in the Command Center.

I don't know, because there was a couple different things where our Command Post was going to be down by the FOP lodge. I remember that. So the **staging** for all the tactical units were supposed to be down there. That was kind of what was decided amongst there. ([Task Force Transcript](#), Page 31.)

He was referring to the initially planned staging area for the local tactical units before the USSS asked them to stage in locations not visible to rally goers, hence the move to the north barn. In reviewing his transcript further, I noticed this:

Q. Sir, did you set up any cameras or other surveillance on July 13?

A. We did have -- we had the camera -- there's two cameras mounted on the Command Post and -- just the monitor the crowd. And, actually, the one camera was monitoring the main maintenance [likely said or meant entrance]. We were able to watch the main entrance, where the majority of the medical calls were. The other was just set up in the crowd.

Redacted: Are those video feeds recorded?

Redacted: No.

...

Q. This was just a live --

A. Yeah, **we were just able to monitor what was going on with the -- like where the mags entrance was** and where the actual -- we could see the crowd.

([Task Force Transcript](#), Pages 70-71)

This provides some confirmation that the USSS security entrance was being monitored by a camera, but not recorded. May did state that the cameras did not work very well in the sense that the screen bounced around due to poor camera mounting, but he does say they were able to monitor the area. He made no mention of any specific observations at the “mags entrance,” however.

Part 2: Patsy's Afternoon

The Patsy's Rangefinder

The patsy was reportedly flagged at the magnetometers for having a rangefinder. In both the 4:26 pm and 5:04 pm video sightings of the patsy, he was seen with a rangefinder in his cargo shorts pocket. This is most likely where he had it when he entered the security screening area, before passing through the magnetometers. The detection of it was described in the CNN article as follows: *"He first aroused suspicion when he passed through the magnetometers carrying a rangefinder."* In the video to the right, you will see a man trying to walk through the magnetometers with bottled water and some black and yellow device. He was made to place it on the table and walk through without it. You also see the man ahead of him being searched with a wand.

I did have one Peak Prosperity contributor mock my work at one point, stating that the bulge in his pocket was too small to be a rangefinder, and was more likely a pack of cigarettes, a deck of playing cards, or gum. In my "Sidebar Analysis – The Rangefinder," I demonstrate that he certainly could have fit a golf rangefinder in his cargo pants pocket.



Other contributors questioned whether he had a rangefinder at all because there is no video or photographic evidence of one. Then FBI Director Cheattle was asked point blank during her Congressional hearing if there was a rangefinder, to which she reluctantly replied, "Yes." She seemed like she was trying to avoid answering the question.

The discovery of him and his rangefinder at the magnetometers, by the USSS, was an inconvenient fact for the USSS who was trying to blame the event on local LEO, in part for not informing the USSS of the rangefinder in time.



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Sidebar Analysis – The Rangefinder

What is the bulge in his cargo shorts?

Slide 9

The final purchase was a typical pair of cargo shorts, and see if our new rangefinder and case would fit in the pocket.

LA Police Gear Men's Core Cargo Shorts

First Calibrate The Ruler using the size of a typical cell phone.

It fits!

Plenty of room for a pack of gum, too.

	iPhone 12 Pro	iPhone 13	iPhone 14	iPhone 15 Pro Max
Height	6.1 inches (154.9 mm)	6.1 inches (154.9 mm)	6.1 inches (154.9 mm)	6.3 inches (160.0 mm)
Width	2.95 inches (75.0 mm)	2.95 inches (75.0 mm)	2.95 inches (75.0 mm)	3.07 inches (78.0 mm)
Depth	0.31 inches (7.9 mm)	0.31 inches (7.9 mm)	0.31 inches (7.9 mm)	0.31 inches (7.9 mm)
Weight	6.09 ounces (173.8 g)	6.09 ounces (173.8 g)	6.09 ounces (173.8 g)	6.83 ounces (193.5 g)

iPhone 12 Pro Dimensions
5.77" x 2.82"

Estimated Pocket Dimensions
7" W x 7.5" D

Rangefinder Case Dimensions
5.9" L x 1.97" W x 3.54" H

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Security Cameras

From the beginning, one of the things that frustrated me in this investigation was the lack of reporting on where the patsy's car was located. That is why I was a key contributor in, and publisher of, the Peak Prosperity's Citizen's Investigation 's identification of it being the Hyundai Elantra, not Sonata, parked across from the AGR main entrance. During that process, @sorey, did a good job of locating all of the security cameras at Sheetz. Those would clearly have had evidence of it being parked there, if it was. The FBI likely viewed their footage, too.



Note: The security camera that was reported as capturing the patsy climbing on the roof, was from King Cone's Castle. It was likely the same camera alluded to by FBI Deputy Director Paul Abbate during the July 30th Senate Hearing , below.

We have video that was recently found of the shooter walking in a distance from his car just before 6:00 PM, about 5:56, I believe. ([7/30/2024 Senate Hearing](#)) (01:35:42) Mark

That security camera would not have had line of sight to the patsy's car itself due to being obstructed by Brenckle's Farms & Greenhouses buildings.



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Return to Butler Timeline

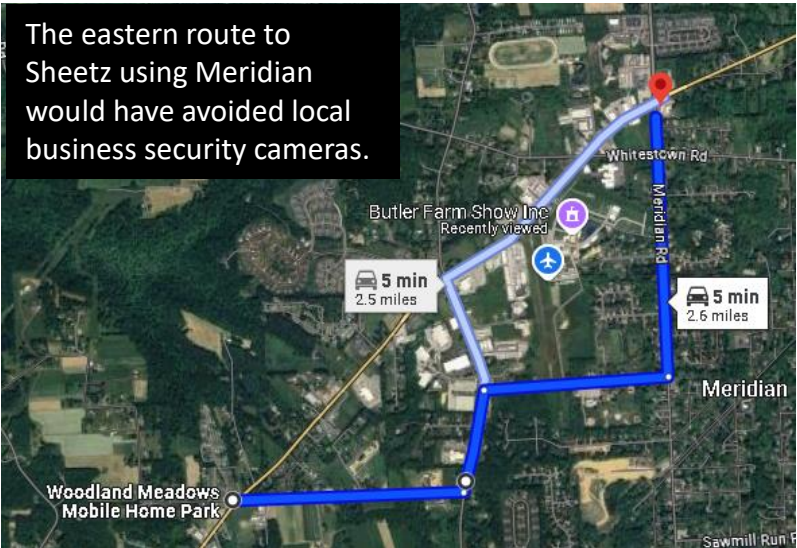
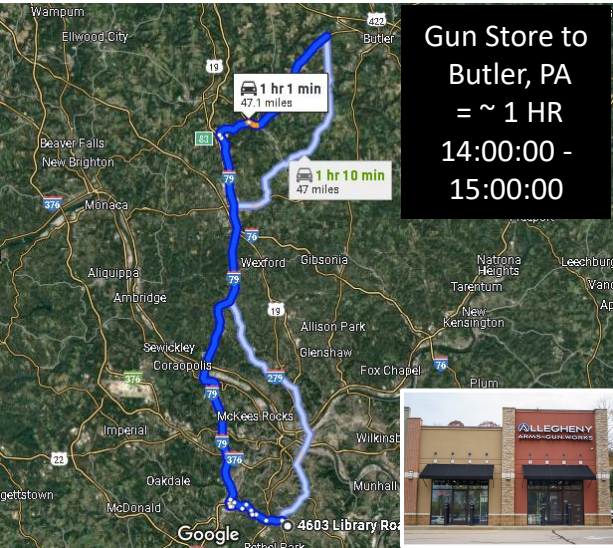
With the base evidence and related information provided, it’s time to start laying out the initial routes that I concluded the patsy took in order for the key timestamps and their associated locations to align.

Earlier in the day, July 13

- Officials say Thomas Matthew Crooks bought 50 rounds of 5.56 mm ammunition for his AK-15-style rifle in Bethel Parks, Pennsylvania and drove north to Butler, location of the Butler Farm Show where Trump was to hold a rally.
- Crooks, 20, parked at a gas station lot about one-third of a mile from the event. (AP, July 21, 2024)

Assuming the patsy spent ~5 minutes after purchasing his ammo (13:55:00) to load his magazines, he likely left Bethel Park at 14:00:00 and arrived at Sheetz at ~15:00:00. He likely took Meridian to Sheetz and avoided being capture on local business security cameras along that stretch of Evans City Road.

Time	Activity	Delta
15:00:00	Patsy arrived in Bulter, parked at Sheetz	1:00:00
15:05:00	Patsy started drive to event parking	0:05:00
15:08:00	Patsy arrived at event parking	0:03:00



Activities at Sheetz (~ 5 min.)

Stopping at Sheetz first makes good sense. He may have filled his gas tank after driving 3 hours that day. More fuel for his planned explosion. Since he “parked,” he likely shopped for snacks.



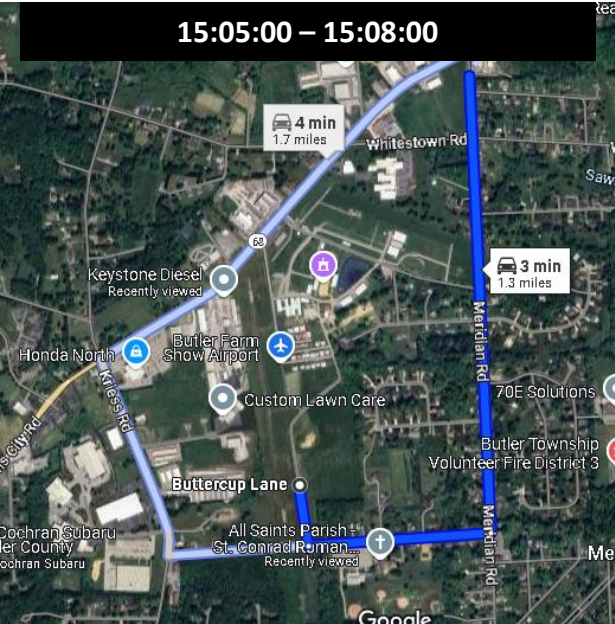
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Security Screening Area

Assuming that it took the patsy 2 minutes to find a parking spot, and 10 minutes to get through the line to the security screening checkpoint, I estimate that he arrived at the magnetometers at ~15:27:58. While that may seem to contradict the media reported of 15:00:00, it is corroborated by the digitally recorded timestamp of his cell phone connecting to the network at 15:37:00. Keep in mind that CNN and NYP reported it at the hour level: “By 3 p.m. on Saturday, roughly three hours before the shooting.” It was not reported as 3:00 pm. Any time from 14:31:00 to 15:29:00 would be rounded forward or backward to 3 pm. To me, it is far more credible that it aligns with (within 10 minutes) the hard evidence placing the patsy “in the vicinity” at 15:37:00 than with the 3 pm reported time.

Next, we’ll see where the patsy may have been located at 15:37:00. Logically, he could have been on his way to or from the magnetometers, either inside or outside the secure perimeter. Before we do that, we’ll look at my estimated 10-minute queue time, since that has a significant impact on the timeline.

Sheetz to Rally Parking



Rally Parking to Security



Interestingly, the patsy would have walked past the BeC ESU/WRSWAT (CAT #2) post on his walk to and from the security screening area.

Time	Activity	Delta
15:08:00	Patsy arrived at event parking	0:03:00
15:27:58	Patsy arrived at magnetometers	0:19:58
15:37:00	Patsy's cell phone tracked to be near the "staging location"	SKIP

Walking Time	
2,805 feet	
÷ 5280 feet/mile	
= 0.53 mile	
x 15 minutes/mile	
= 7.97 minutes	
+ 0 minutes (Stairs)	
= 7.97 minutes	
= 0:07:58 hh:mm:ss	

Forward Calculated Time	
Arrive from Sheetzy	15:08:00
Plus Find Parking Spot	0:02:00
= Parked	15:10:00
Plus Walk to Security	0:07:58
= At Security	15:17:58
Plus Queue Time	0:10:00
= Arrival Time	15:27:58

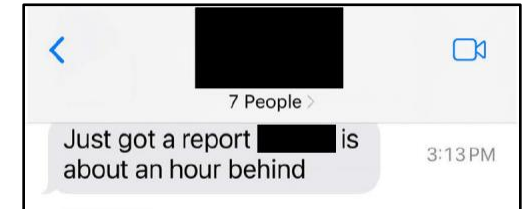
Note: A brisk walking speed of 4 mph (15 min. per mile) was used, due to seeing the patsy walking briskly in Vendor Alley and at the AGR main entrance.

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Queue Time

As for my estimated queue time of 10 minutes, there is no hard evidence available to accurately estimate that. Below I provide footage from RSBN that shows the queue just before USSS opened security, and the crowd size at the approximate time the patsy was reported being at security. In that segment you can see the steady inflow of rally goers in the upper left corner of the screen. The speed of that inflow into the secure perimeter would theoretically be similar to the inflow to the security screening area. In the foreground, you can see the significant size of the crowd. In the third screenshot you can see the crowd size around the time the patsy was captured walking along Vendor Alley. Suffice it to say, the majority of the crowd had entered by 3 pm, but certainly not all.

We need to keep in mind that Trump was scheduled to start speaking at 5 pm, so rally goers were trying to get into the rally perimeter in time for his arrival on stage. It wasn't known until around 3:13 pm, the time of a local sniper group text, that Trump was about 1 hour behind. That said, it was common for Trump to not start at the scheduled times for his rallies, often closer to an hour later. The intent here is not to pinpoint the exact time the patsy was at the magnetometers, but rather determine a reasonable estimate to compare it to the hard evidence placing him in the vicinity at 15:37:0. My estimate puts him there. If I assumed a 20-minute queue time, it would put him at the magnetometers right around 15:37:00. However, if I did so, it would not align with subsequent hard timestamps.



Seconds Before USSS Opened Security



Approx. Time Patsy At Security



Approx. Time Patsy Sighted In Vendor Alley



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Security Screening Area

How long de he stay inside the perimeter? In order to determine that, I back calculated his travels from the next timestamp, the FBI’s ~3:45 pm timestamp, which the task Force clarified as being 3:48 pm. That was based on the FBI’s official timeline, not their public updates.

At approximately 3:45 p.m., the investigation confirmed the subject again arrived in Butler at the site of the rally. ([FBI](#), July 29, 2024, Rojek)

The location assumed for that timestamp was the intersection of Evans City Road and Whitestown, which would be in view of King Cole’s Castle security cameras. We know the FBI used those as evidence for two other timestamps. The photo to the right was taken by contributor @Rough_Gypsy_Country near the camera believed to have captured the patsy accessing the roof. In his post he states it was actually pointed “a bit more to the right,” which would be closer to the intersection.

Note: The patsy had to go south on Buttercup Lane because Vendor Alley was not open to traffic and guarded by police.



Near “Staging Location”

15:27:58 - 15:37:02

Stay Time: 0:09:04

Rally Security to Parking

15:37:02--15:45:00

Drive Past Security Cameras

15:45:00 – 15:48:00

Back Calculated Stay Time

The calculated stay time was ~0:09:04. Had the queue time been estimated at 20 min., the stay time would be a negative 1 min.

Back Calculated Time	
At Intersection	15:48:00
Minus Drive Time	0:03:00
= Left Parking	15:45:00
Minus WalkTime	0:07:58
= Left Security	15:37:02
Minus Stay Time	0:09:04
= Entered Security	15:27:58

Caught On Camera

15:48:00

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Security Area Visit (Summary)

Let's pause and take a summary look at the validity of the patsy's reported incident at the rally's security screening area.

- 1. Are the reports authentic?** Yes, four mainstream news outlets independently reported the incident. However, the story died after the first week, almost as if the Administrative State (DHS, USSS) or the Deep State stepped in to quash the story for some reason.
- 2. Does other evidence corroborate it?** Yes, the PSP cell phone tracking data places the patsy in that location at that time. Curiously, that was one of only two references to cell phone tracking data in the Tasks Force's report. Was that there way of confirming the security area incident without including it? Interviews with the local and senior LEOs providing the information, and records of the communication of the suspicious person to the Secret Service would most likely corroborate it if released.
- 3. Does it fit the timeline?** Yes, although the 3 pm timestamp is earlier than other apparent first arrival timestamps, those other timestamps are not worded as definitive arrival times. The 3 pm timestamps is rounded to the hour, obviously not meant to be more precise, and my calculated timestamps (~15:27:58~15:37:02), based on travels to and from the area, fits closely with the cell phone tracking timestamp (15:37:00). My calculated timestamps align with timestamps before (13:55:00 at gun store) and after (15:48:00 likely security camera confirmation) .

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15:37:02	Patsy's left security area	0:09:04
15:45:00	Patsy arrived at event parking	0:07:58
15:48:00	Patsy at Evans City Road & Meridian intersection (security camera)	0:03:00

Stay Time

≈ 0:09:04



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The Patsy Flies A Drone

PRE-SHOOTING TIMELINE		Shot 1 Countdown	Vehicle Mentioned	Video Source & Time Mark								Radio (Channel) or Other
				Body Cams	Dash Cams	RSBN Live	PBS	NTD	Ironclad USA	Jon Malis	Other Rally Videos	
Time	Sources			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
15:45:00	Patsy confirmed to be back in Butler at site of rally (3:48 pm per Task Force Report)	2:26:33				4:16:21						FBI
15:51:00	Patsy started flying drone ~200 yards from farm show grounds	2:20:33				4:22:21						Task Force
16:02:00	Patsy stopped flying drone	2:09:33				4:33:21						Task Force

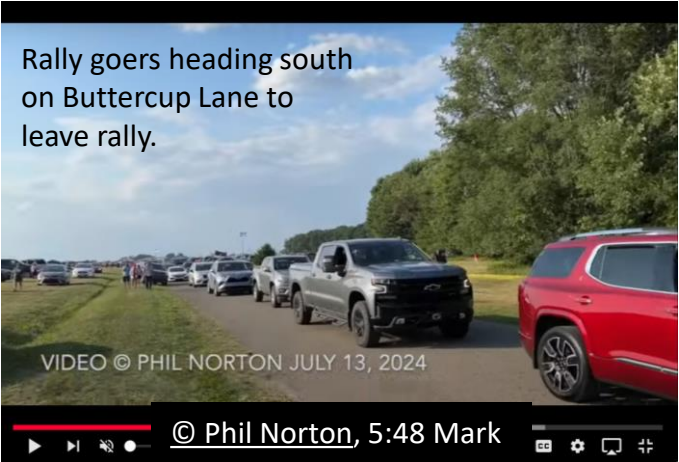
Where did the patsy park next? We have seen that the patsy most likely parked at Sheetz upon arriving in the afternoon, then drove to the rally parking area. After he went through the security screening, his next stop was to fly his drone, at 15:51:00. Since he was likely captured on camera at or near the Evans City Road and Whitestown Road at 15:48:00, he had 3 minutes to park and get his drone equipment ready to fly. I would guess the AGR main entrance.

Note: The event parking screenshot below is just north of Buttercup on Buttercup Lane, where the patsy likely parked before walking to the rally entrance.

Sheetz Gas Station , 499 Evans City Rd, Butler, PA 16001



Event Parking



Across From AGR Main Entrance



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~3:51 p.m. - **He parked his vehicle and began flying his drone in proximity to the rally site from about 3:50 p.m. to just after 4 p.m. for approximately 11 minutes.** The investigation found this drone flight was conducted approximately 200 yards from the site of the rally by reverse engineering the metadata associated with the subject's drone. The ongoing analysis did not reveal any photos or video taken by the drone, as **there was no memory card recovered inside the device** when it and the controller were discovered in the subject's vehicle. The FBI is still working to determine if the subject was viewing footage on the drone's controller and whether that may have revealed further insights that day into the security posture at the location from which he ultimately carried out his attack. ([FBI Updates](#), July 29, 2024)

Shortly thereafter, **at approximately 3:51 p.m.**, the shooter flew a drone approximately 200 yards from the Farm Show grounds for about 11 minutes. ([FBI Updates](#), July 30, 2024)

The drive from the Evans City Road and Whitesown to Sheetz is ~2 minutes regardless of what route you take. That would put the patsy there at 15:50:00 if he was at the intersection at 15:48:00. Theoretically he would have time to drive there and get his drone ready. However, it is more likely that he parked somewhere closer to the intersection, such as AGR, the greenhouses, or Dollar General. If he parked near the AGR main entrance, it likely wasn't the spot where his car was ultimately found, based on the next timestamp, 16:03:00, which states he drove around after flying his drone.

My only inference regarding where he parked to fly his drone is that it was most likely in a location where he could see the AGR complex, though it did not have to be. It would just make it easier in my opinion, rather than just relying on the drone footage. (**Disclaimer:** I've never flown a drone.)

Maybe the patsy's drone flight path can help us determine where he parked.



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The Patsy Flies A Drone

Thanks to the Congressional Task Force , we have more detailed information about the FBI's drone evidence than they released directly to the public. (Surprise, surprise!) The important question here is what data did the FBI obtain specific to the patsy's July 13, 2024 drone flight.

5. Drone

Crooks utilized a commercially available DJI drone and paired handheld remote to conduct reconnaissance prior to the July 13 campaign rally. The drone camera was capable of tilting up and down. It was capable of zooming eight times the focal length.

The FBI was requested to recreate what Crooks may have seen in that final reconnaissance flight. The FBI purchased the same drone model, known as an "exemplar," to gather certain information without disturbing the drone in evidence. They then successfully recovered electronic data from the drone and paired controller. This revealed thousands of data points, including pitch and speed. The FBI, in a novel approach, created an algorithm to read this data and visually recreate it in a simulation video that they presented to the Task Force **demonstrating possible points of view Crooks could have obtained by using his drone on July 13.**

Per the electronic data FBI gathered, the controller had 13 flights logged in it. A "flight" would be logged into the drone's system whenever the drone was activated or flown. The FBI noted that while eight flights and 20 unique images were pulled from Crooks' drone, **none of the images were from July 13.** Crooks' drone flight on July 13 was logged as Flight #17. Beginning at 3:51 p.m., Crooks flew his drone for 11 minutes 52 seconds. ([Task Force Report](#), Pages 129-130)

The phrase "*could have obtained*" does not mean that the simulation was of the July 13th flight. The FBI did report in their updates (slide above) that there was no memory card inside the device recovered from his vehicle. However, while the drone did not record photos or videos of the July 13th drone flight, prior flights apparently were recorded , including reconnaissance flights prior to July 13th. (**Note:** The patsy visited the rally sight on July 7th, for 20 minutes, but would not have known the placement of the podium at that point.) Apparently, the drone controller does document each flight in the metadata, including start and end times, and location of the drone, even if nothing is recorded during the flight. My question is, if the drone's location was known, wouldn't the entire flight path be obtainable from the metadata of the July 13th flight? Is that the information the FBI obtained and used to simulate the prior drone flight? (See next slide.)

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The Patsy Flies A Drone

Thanks to Peak Prosperity contributor @KINCSES Zsolt, I was pointed to the testimony of FBI Director Christopher Wray during the Senate hearing on July 30th, where he described the flight path of the drone. (Start at the 1:53:39 mark to catch the question Wray was asked.). **It WAS the July 13th flight path.**

1:54:26 – [Wray] ...but we have been able to to reverse engineer the flight path of the Drone from the day of the rally and that's how we know that for about 11 minutes from I think it's around 350 p.m. to 400 p.m. somewhere in that range **he was flying the Drone and we have the flight path** it's about 200 yards away from where former president Trump would ultimately be speaking uh and so that would have primarily given him a vantage point um trying to think how to describe this if if the former president's podium was that way yeah the Drone would be uh over here looking you know say 200 yards again off this way looking back so it would have shown the shooter we think again this we're still doing more work on this I really want to qualify what I'm saying but I'm trying to be transparent and lean in here we we think it would have shown him uh kind of what would have been behind him.

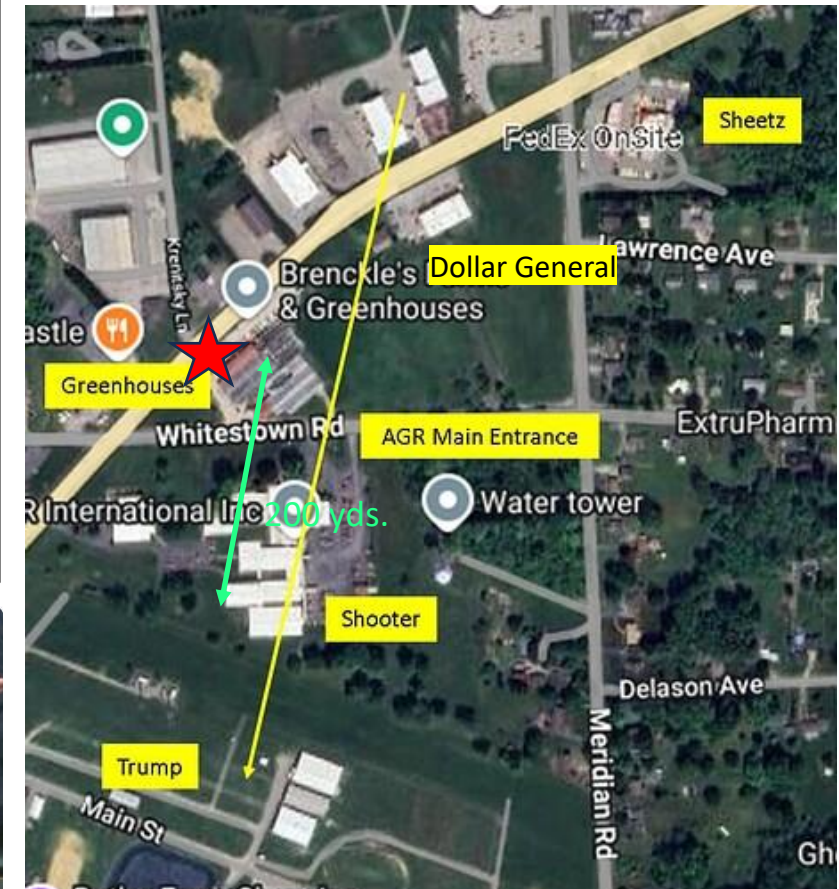
[Mr. Biggs] When you say behind him behind the the shooter.

1:55:30 – [Wray] Correct, like in other words almost like giving him a rear-view mirror of the the scene behind him except again he wasn't flying it overhead while he was later back...

[Mr. Biggs] Because the stage I assume would was already set he'd been able to assess that angle with the rooftop as well forward and backward I assume.

[Wray] Well, certainly going towards the towards the podium... ([Senate Hearing, AP Coverage](#))

Drone's Angle of View



FBI Dir.
Wray's "Rear
View Mirror"
Description



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The Wall Street Journal reported that the patsy flew the drone on a programmed flight path, which he may have programmed during his morning trip, or during his July 7th trip. The FBI stated it did not record the flight due to not having its memory card, but Gray Hughes Investigates (GHI) explained how the FBI may have been able to use files from his phone to view the flight path in Google Earth.

The gunman who tried to kill Donald Trump was able to fly a drone and get aerial footage of the western Pennsylvania fairgrounds shortly before the former president was set to speak there, law-enforcement officials briefed on the matter said, further underscoring the stunning security lapses ahead of Trump's near assassination.

Thomas Matthew Crooks flew the drone on a programmed flight path earlier in the day on July 13 to scour the Butler Farm Show grounds ahead of Trump's ill-fated rally, the officials said. The predetermined path, the officials added, suggests Crooks flew the drone more than once as he researched and scoped out the event site. ([WSJ](#), July 29, 2024)



The DJI drone that the patsy flew may have been a DJI O4 Air Unit Series (\$229). ([LINK](#)) It would have been within the patsy's budget, and was equipped with the DJI O4 video transmission system



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Why did none of the LEOs or other support personnel see it being flown? They knew to look for drones and were even directed what to do if they saw one.

Keep in mind that the patsy only flew it for 11 minutes, so they would have had a small window of opportunity to see it. My initial thoughts are the fact that the BTPD LEOs were at their assigned intersections (watching traffic, and not tasked with looking for drones) waiting for the motorcade to come through, or roving the area in their vehicle, at that time. (**Note:** Pearson opened the intersections at 5:35 pm, after the motorcade passed through.) Almost all of the others were at the Butler Farm Show grounds, and the drone was flown on the north side of AGR, approximately 200 yards from the Farm Show. The two screenshots below from Benny Johnson's [congressional visit video](#), were taken at ground level at the location of the podium. Aside from the USSS counter snipers and west grandstand snipers, they were all at ground level. We don't know the elevation the drone was flown at, but just the distance would make it difficult to see one, as seen in the two screenshots.

Also, the FAA did not initiate the Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) until 16:20:00.

Finally, the USSS C-UAS agent didn't get his equipment working until 16:33:00.

Could anyone have seen it, even if focused on the area looking for one, without binoculars?



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Driving Around The Area

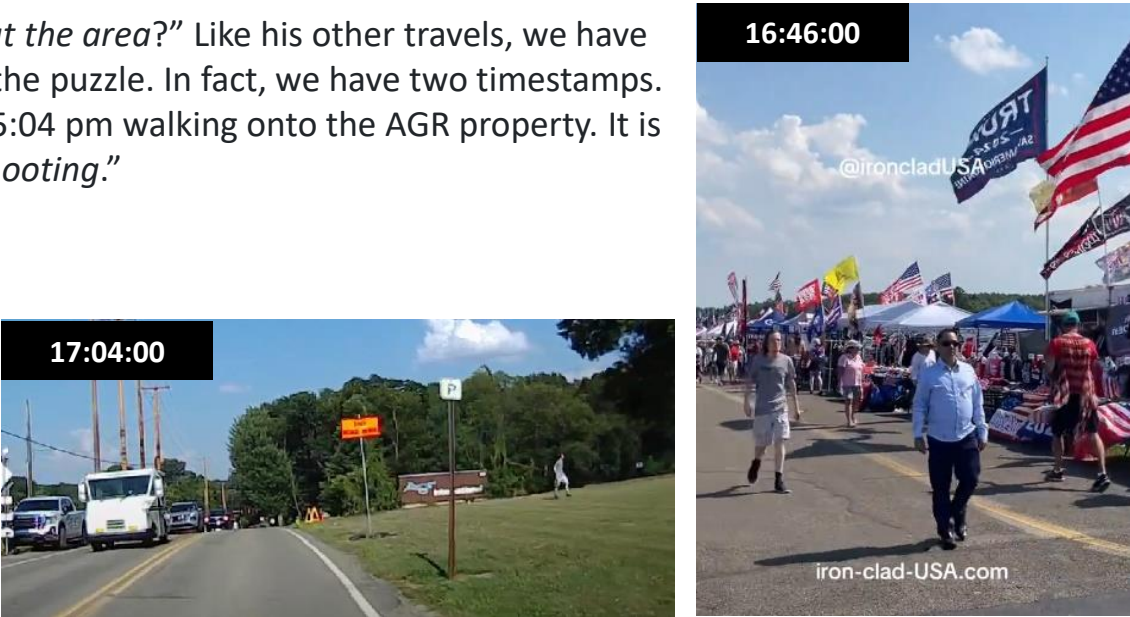
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16:03:00	Patsy drove around the area (Approximate)	2:08:33				4:34:21						FBI
16:20:00	FAA initiates Temporary Flight Restriction over Butler Farm Show	1:51:33				4:51:21						Task Force
16:26:00	Patsy sighted walking northward in "Vendor Alley"	1:45:33				4:57:21					16:26:00	

~16:03:00 - Just after approximately 4 p.m., he left the scene in his vehicle and appeared to drive throughout the area in the vicinity of the shooting for a period of time.” (FBI, July 29, 2024)

The next piece of the patsy’s travel puzzle to solve is where did he “drive throughout the area?” Like his other travels, we have another hard timestamp that must be met, which might help us solve this piece of the puzzle. In fact, we have two timestamps. The first is the sighting of him in Vendor Alley at 4:26 pm. Later he was sighted at ~5:04 pm walking onto the AGR property. It is possible that he drove to both locations. They are both within “the vicinity of the shooting.”

As previously mentioned, my initial thoughts were that the CNN and NYP timestamp for the security screening area event , 3 pm, had to be wrong due to the patsy being sighted heading towards the rally entrance at 4:26 pm. The 15:37:00 cell phone tracking location forced me to rethink that. Before we reason through what now appears to be the patsy’s second travel to that general area, we should review my original validation of the 4:26 pm timestamp.

(Note: This was before the 4:44 to 5:47 pm time period previously addressed.



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The Vendor Alley Sighting

BeC Sniper Jason Woods Text Messages

Someone followed our lead and snuck in and parked by our cars just so you know

4:26 PM

I'm just letting you know because you see me go out with my rifle and put it in my car so he knows you guys are up there he's sitting to the direct right on a picnic table about 50 yards from the exit.

4:27 PM

Door 9 & Picnic Table Confirmation



Red Picnic table
Purple Point of Ego Entry & Exit

On July 29, 2024, Sen. Grassley released text messages exchanged between the local snipers, including Jason Woods' 4:26 pm message about seeing someone at the picnic table south of Door 9. That release included a Google Maps screenshot confirming which picnic table Woods was referring to. ([LINK](#)) The FBI clearly had those messages.

IronClad_USA (a rally vendor) first posted their Vendor Alley video on TikTok ([LINK](#)) on July 23, 2024. On August 19, 2024, they posted it to X.com ([LINK](#)). The FBI was almost certainly not aware of this video prior to their July 30, 2024 update since it still referenced LEOs sighting the patsy, not IronClad USA. Eventually, the FBI was made aware of the IronClad USA video. In the FBI's August 28, 2024 update, they corrected their 4:26 pm timeline entry..

I was skeptical at first of the time that video was taken due to prior information we had from the text messages and BeC AAR. The video's metadata was later released, but I had to confirm it for myself. **Always verify the evidence!**

Initial Entry: ~4:26 p.m. – The first reported sighting of the shooter by local law enforcement was at approximately 4:26 p.m. ([FBI](#), July 30, 2024)

Updated Entry: Prior witness interviews indicated the subject was in the area of the AGR building at 4:26 p.m. Subsequent digital evidence review shows the subject was in fact near the farm show air strip, walking past a row of vendors outside the secure perimeter approximately a half mile away from the AGR grounds at 4:26 p.m. ([FBI](#), August 28, 2024)

"Terrifying moment... looking back at my videos from the PA Butler Trump rally on 7/13/24. We were there just trying to sell our patriotic hats from my small business. Captured a video of Thomas Matthew Crooks at 4:26pm, just before the assassination attempt occurred. Interesting he was wearing shorts instead of pants, which he later had on, and he has no bags with him at this moment." (IronClad USA)



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Step 1: Location Determination

Blue Canopy & Tall Flags



Buildings & Street Corner



RSNB was filming in the same location the patsy was captured at, as seen in the flags and blue canopy. Using the cross street and background building, the location was identified and confirmed.



40.85462, -79.97467



Latitude

40.854620

Longitude

-79.974670

Convert

DMS Latitude

40° 51' 16.632" N

DMS Longitude

79° 58' 28.812" W

Convert DMS to Decimal Degrees

S: South, W: West, E: East, N: North

In order to analyzed the shadow to confirm the time of the footage, the geographical coordinates were needed, and had to be converted from decimal coordinates to degrees minutes seconds (DMS). Also, the correct time zone was needed, which is UTC -4.

Time Zones Currently Being Used in United States

Offset	Time Zone Abbreviation & Name		Example City	Current Time
UTC -10	HST	Hawaii Standard Time	Honolulu	Thu, 4:52:06 pm
UTC -9	HDT	Hawaii-Aleutian Daylight Time	Adak	Thu, 5:52:06 pm
UTC -8	AKDT	Alaska Daylight Time	Anchorage	Thu, 6:52:06 pm
	PDT	Pacific Daylight Time	Los Angeles	Thu, 7:52:06 pm
UTC -7	MST	Mountain Standard Time	Phoenix	Thu, 7:52:06 pm
	MDT	Mountain Daylight Time	Salt Lake City	Thu, 8:52:06 pm
UTC -6	CDT	Central Daylight Time	Chicago	Thu, 9:52:06 pm
UTC -5	EDT	Eastern Daylight Time	New York	Thu, 10:52:06 pm

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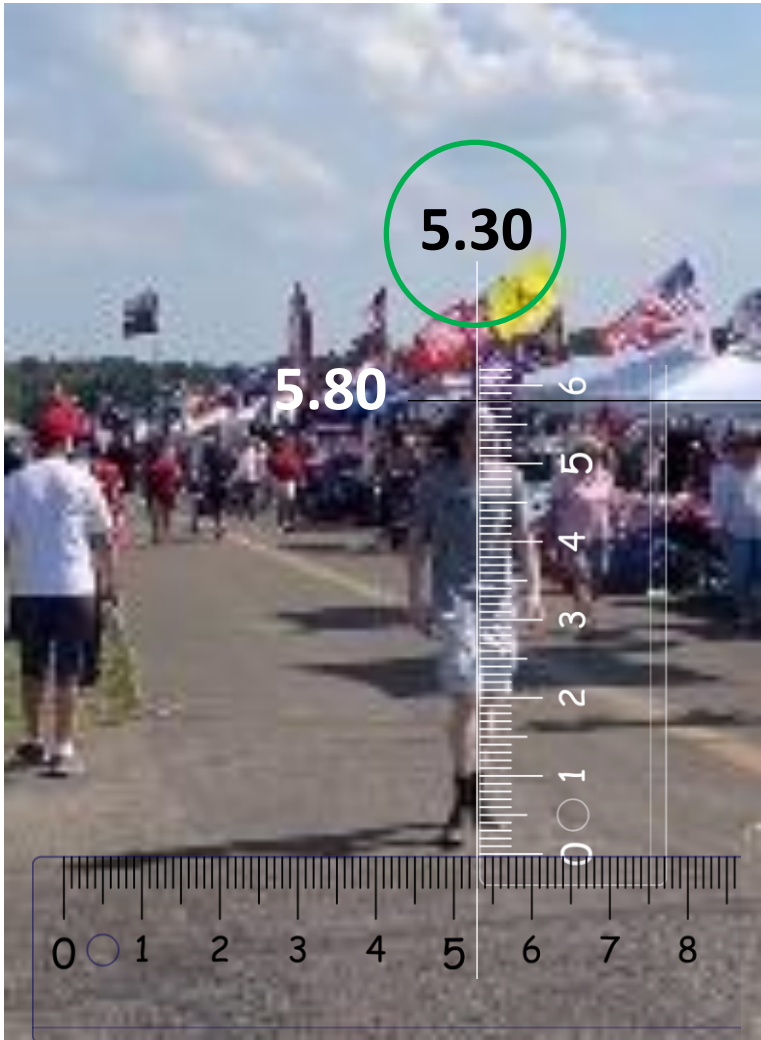
Step 2: Shadow Direction Verification

Contributor @sorey provided this analysis that someone on x.com performed using www.suncalc.org to calculate the shadow direction at 4:26pm for the location and direction of travel (northward) shown in the video. The shadow's direction was a confirmed match.



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Step 3: Shadow Length Verification



I performed this analysis using www.planetncalc.com to calculate the shadow length at 4:26pm for the coordinates of the video. It demonstrated that the patsy's' shadow was consistent with the 4:26 PM timestamp, matching the video's metadata. The verification demonstrated that the person seen by Jason Woods outside of AGR 6 could not have been the patsy. He could not be in two places at the same time.

Shadow length

Object height

5.8

Date

Sat 13 July 2024 16 : 26

Latitude

40° 51' 16.632" ☒ N ☐ S

Longitude

79° 58' 28.812" ☐ E ☒ W

Time Zone

-4

Calculation precision

Digits after the decimal point: 2

☒

Shadow length

5.29

[Online calculator: Shadow length \(planetcalc.com\)](http://planetcalc.com)

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Vendor Alley Sighting

Let's look at the testimony of BeC ESU snipers Nicol and Woods and see what they had to say about the apparent contradiction in evidence. The first we heard from either of them about it was from Nicols' August 10, 2024 CNN interview testimony, which post-dated the IronClad USA video. The interesting phrase is "*immediately connect it to.*" **Does that mean he subsequently connected it to Crooks?**

Nicol thought little of the text at the time, he said. Nor did he **immediately connect it to** a slightly built, long haired young man he saw sitting below the window where he was stationed at AGR about 45 minutes later. ([CNN](#), August 10, 2024)

During his September 11, 2024 Task Force interview, we get our answer to the "subsequently" question. It raises the question, who did he "learn it" from?

Q. Okay. When you received these text messages from , did they cause you to think, "Oh, this person's a threat"?

A. No, because I had no idea who he was referring to. I'll be honest with you: Until about three weeks ago maybe, I hadn't even known that actually seen Mr. Crooks sitting at that table.

Q. Right.

A. I didn't know that that's who he was referring to.

Q. You only learned that subsequently. At the time you did not know?

A. Yeah. Like I said, only three weeks ago. ([Task Force Transcript](#), Page 90) (**Note:** "Three weeks ago" would have been around August 21, 2024.)

He had to hear it from Woods. Noone else would know who Woods saw. Here is an excerpt from Woods' his September 11, 2024 Task Force interview

Q. Were you able to see the face of that male?

A. I was not.

Q. From what you were able to see, are you later able to assess who that individual was from what you know now?

A. Yeah. I believe that it was Crooks. The only difference is -- **and now with that video of him walking through** -- the male that I seen had pants on.

Q. Okay. So perhaps it's your assessment that it was not Crooks?

A. I still believe it was him, but he had pants on.

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Surely you caught the fact that well after the IronClad USA was released, and two weeks after the FBI updated their 4:26 pm timeline, both Nicol and Woods still thought it was the patsy that Woods saw at 4:26 pm. They apparently did not get the memo. Woods even saw the IronClad USA video and still believes he saw the patsy. He essentially said, “**That’s my story and I’m sticking to it!**” The only difference being the pants.

Did you also notice that the investigators did not mention the IronClad USA video? Based on those testimonies and the failure of the interviewers to bring up the Vendor Alley sighting, we should see what their final report , dated December 5, 2-24, concluded regarding the 4:26 pm timeline. **They got it right!**

1626: At this point, Crooks was located near the farm show airstrip and was walking past a row of vendors outside the secure perimeter approximately half a mile from the AGR complex.⁹⁰⁸

⁹⁰⁸ Briefing from Fed. Bureau of Investigation to Task Force Staff (Aug. 28, 2024) (notes on file with Task Force Staff).

What about the HSGAC investigation? Did they get it right? Yes, the HSGAC report dated December 2024 **also got it right!**

4:26 pm

An AGR Sniper from Beaver County who had been positioned inside the AGR building earlier that day exited the building at the end of his shift and noticed a suspicious person sitting near the AGR building. The sniper texted the other two local snipers remaining in the AGR building: “Someone followed our lead and snuck in and parked by our cars just so you know. I’m just letting you know because you see me go out with my rifle and put it in my car so he knows you guys are up there he’s sitting to the direct right on a picnic table about 50 yards from the exit.”

FBI initially testified that “The first reported sighting of the shooter by local law enforcement was at approximately 4:26 p.m.” However, FBI later stated that while witness interviews indicated that Crooks was in the AGR area at 4:26 pm, “Subsequent digital evidence review shows the subject was in fact near the farm show air strip, walking past a row of vendors outside the secure perimeter approximately a half mile away from the AGR grounds at 4:26 p.m.”

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The DHS Independent Review Panel's report, dated October 15, 2024, appears to have taken a somewhat non-committal position, allowing for the patsy to be in two places at the same time. That was investigative malpractice not to confirm which account was correct.

4:26 PM: Local CS 3 texts the other two counter snipers in the AGR building to inform them that he had observed an individual, **now believed to have potentially been Crooks**, in the parking lot. The 4:26 p.m. text describes the individual as having "snuck" into the AGR parking lot and indicates that the individual had seen Local CS 3 carrying his weapon to his vehicle.

At approximately this same time, video footage depicts Crooks in a vendor area of the rally, which is near the magnetometers but outside the perimeter. ([DHS IRP](#), Page iv-v)n (**Note:** See also the report's 4:30 pm timeline entry.)

Clearly Jason Woods could not have seen the patsy near AGR 6 when he was in Vendor Alley. He may have seen someone who closely resembled the patsy, only with (long) pants as opposed to shorts. Citizen investigators know that there were rally goers who looked similar to the patsy, but those all wore shorts, a key part of their similarity. I did not try and find who Woods likely saw from those in the crowd around AGR, because it would be pure speculation, and there is no guarantee that individual even stayed around the AGR complex.

As for the car that Woods saw, there is one possibility to consider., the Alpha Romeo. I believe it belongs to the AGR CEO Henry Dimmick Jr, though I highly doubt that he was who Woods saw. We don't have video or testimony evidence of when it arrived, and it was still present later that night, as was Dimmick.

Dave Stewart's 5:38 to 6:06 video at 9:14 mark. ([LINK](#))

If it was not the Alpha Romeo Woods saw, the vehicle he saw most likely departed after Woods left for the day.



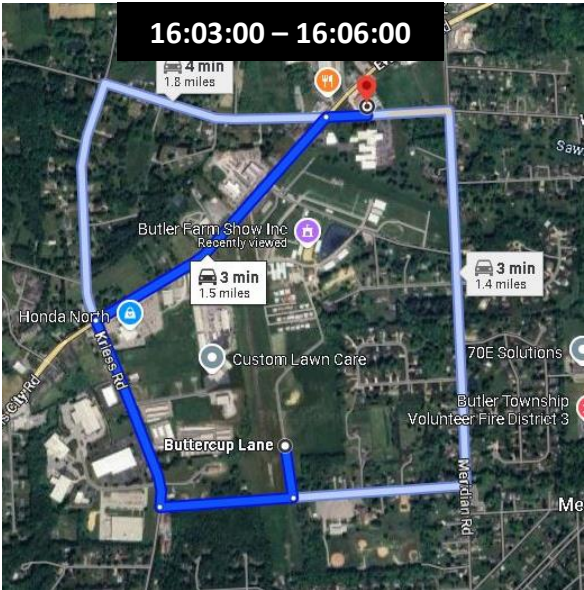
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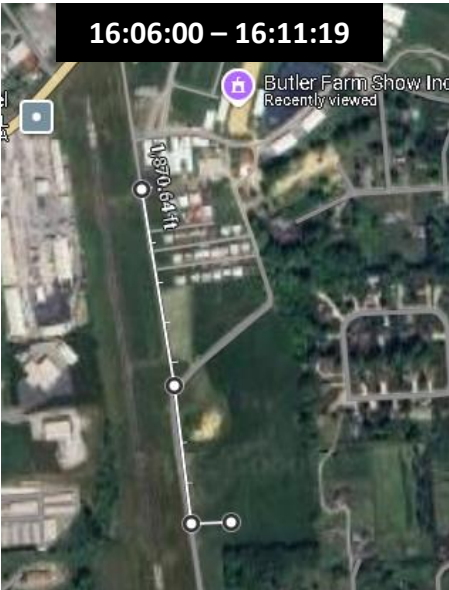
Perhaps the most logical assumption as to where the patsy drove after flying his drone is back to event parking. That gets him to where he is seen walking in Vendor Alley. Assuming his drone flying location was near the AGR main entrance, that would theoretically place him where he was filmed walking along Vendor Alley at ~16:11:19, which allows him **approximately 0:14:41 of spare time** to have driven somewhere else first. That time would obviously differ some if he flew his drone further away, or if he used Meridian instead of Evans City Road. I infer that he would have taken Evans City Road because his vehicle being captured on security camera(s) likely was the evidence the FBI needed to know that he drove “*throughout the area in the vicinity of the shooting for a period of time.*” I also infer he parked again at the event parking based on his direction of travel along Vendor Alley.

[~16:03:00] - Just after approximately 4 p.m., he left the scene in his vehicle and appeared to drive throughout the area in the vicinity of the shooting for a period of time.” (FBI, July 29, 2024)

Drive to Event Parking



Walk to Sighted Location



Stay Time Calculation

Walking Time	
	1,870 feet
÷	5280 feet/mile
=	0.35 mile
x	15 minutes/mile
=	5.31 minutes
+	0 minutes (Stairs)
=	5.31 minutes
=	0:05:19 hh:mm:ss

Drive There Spare Time	
Vendor Alley Sighting	16:26:00
Minus Est. Arrival	16:11:19
= Stay Time	0:14:41

How might he have spent that extra 0:14:41? That’s anybody’s guess, really. Not having any detailed information other than driving “*throughout the area in the vicinity of the shooting,*” we have nothing to go on. That statement alone suggests that he just spent the time driving,

How did the FBI know he was driving around? As I see it there are two ways, security camera footage or cell phone tracking. If the former, then we know he spent some of the drive along Evans City Road.

Given the statement, “*for a period of time,*” as opposed to a specific time period like a few other timeline entries, the FBI might not know how long he drove around, so he may not have spent all of that time driving.

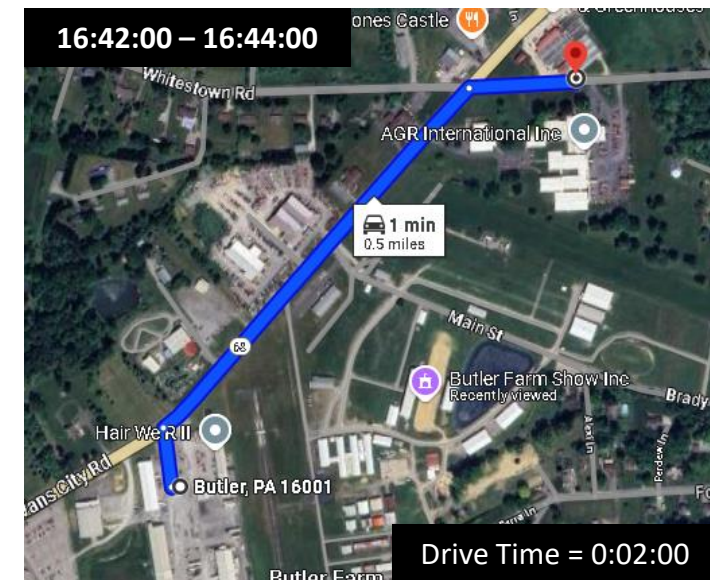
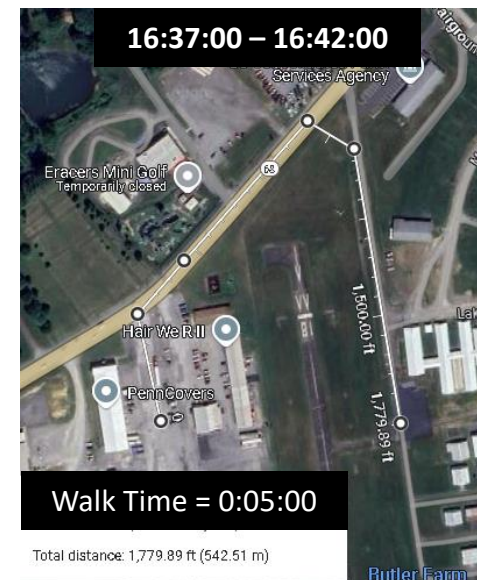
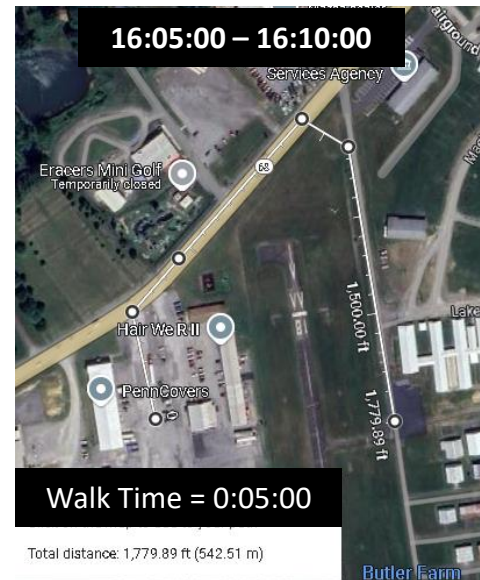
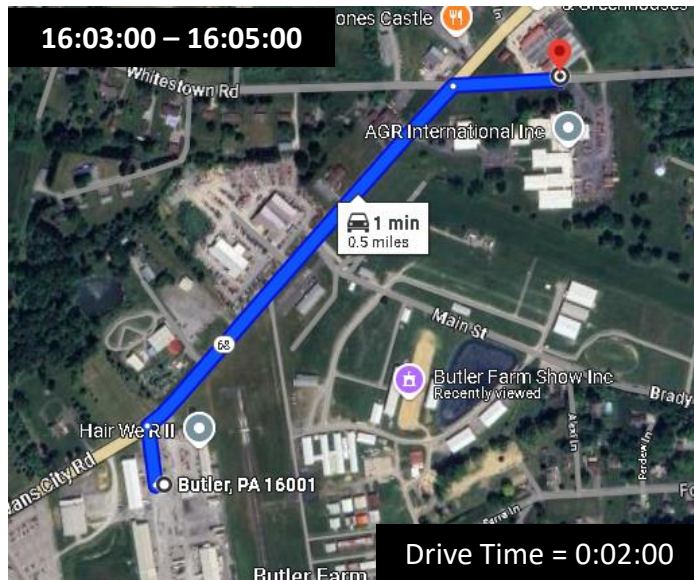
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Alternate Vendor Alley Scenario

Since the patsy was sighted walking north on Vendor Alley, it makes perfectly good sense to think of him as coming from the event parking. However, rather than thinking of him walking TO somewhere, we could also think of him walking FROM somewhere. It's possible he parked somewhere on the west or southwest side of the Farm Show grounds, walked south down Vendor Alley, and was captured walking back to where he parked. It makes less sense to me, but it is possible.

Using the 16:03:00 and 16:44:00 timestamps as the start and end points, if we assume a 2-minute drive to and from the AGR main entrance, and a 5-minute walk to and from the sighting location, that leaves the patsy with **27 minutes** in between. That would include him walking to and from his destination from the sighting location and conducting whatever activity he was engaged in.

27 min.



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AGR Main Entrance Sighting

PRE-SHOOTING TIMELINE		Shot 1 Countdown	Vehicle Mentioned	Video Source & Time Mark								Radio (Channel) or Other
				Body Cams	Dash Cams	RSBN Live	PBS	NTD	Ironclad USA	Jon Malis	Other Rally Videos	
Time	Sources			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
16:27:00	Trump's motorcade left the airport for Butler	1:44:33	Motorcade			4:58:21						Task Force
16:33:00	USSS C-UAS system started working.	1:38:33				18:11:33						HSGAC
16:44:00	Patsy's vehicle was parked on Whitestown Road per FBI	1:27:33				18:11:33						Task Force
17:00:00	Trump originally planned to speak	1:11:33				5:31:21						
17:04:00	Patsy sighted walking onto AGR property at AGR main entrance	1:07:33				5:35:21				17:04:00		

It was 42 minutes after the patsy started flying his drone that the USSS Counter Unmanned Aerial System (C-UAS) operator, Eduardo Castro, was finally able to get his equipment running. Had that equipment been operational when expected, he would have likely spotted the patsy’s drone, giving local LEOs and the USSS CSRT 2 hours 14 minutes to apprehend the patsy.

As previously shown, the FBI stated that the patsy’s car was parked on Whitestown Road at 16:44:00. That provides an endpoint for the patsy’s Vendor Alley sighting, in the sense that he would have to be back in that location at that time.

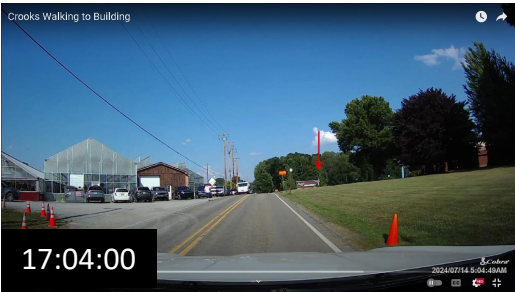
At ~17:04:00, the patsy was captured on Jon Malis’ dashcam walking onto the AGR property near the main entrance sign. (See the red arrow in the screenshot.) You should note that Jon Malis states at the beginning of his video that his dashcam time is PM not AM, due to him setting it 12 hours off. He also notes that it may be a couple of minutes off, so the time is approximate. In the next slide we’ll do a rough verification to ensure that the time stated aligns with the sightings before and after this sighting.

It’s interesting to note that Trump was initially scheduled to speak at 17:00:00. I do not think it was by coincidence that the patsy entered the AGR complex at that time.



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In order to verify the time of Jon Malis’ sighting, we can look at the sightings before and after it, and using a walking map of the area determine if it was possible for him to be in that location at that time. We have already shown the timestamp for the Vendor Alley sighting to be accurate. The time of the subsequent sighting in the WTAE-4 video was determined by synchronizing it with the music playing at the rally.

Starting with the subsequent sighting, we can estimate that the distance between the two points of sighting is 794 feet. Using a brisk walking speed of 4 mph (15 min./mile), it would take ~2.26 minutes to travel that distance.

That demonstrates that Jon Malis’ dashcam is not several minutes off, and is likely less than a couple of minutes off. Of course, that assumes the patsy walked straight to his next sighting without stopping or slowing down. So, if anything, the timestamp of Malis’ video might be a little later than actual time.

That is the better of the two timeline comparisons, before and after, because the patsy had no unknown activities in between them. That’s not the case with the Vendor Alley sighting., as we’ll see next.

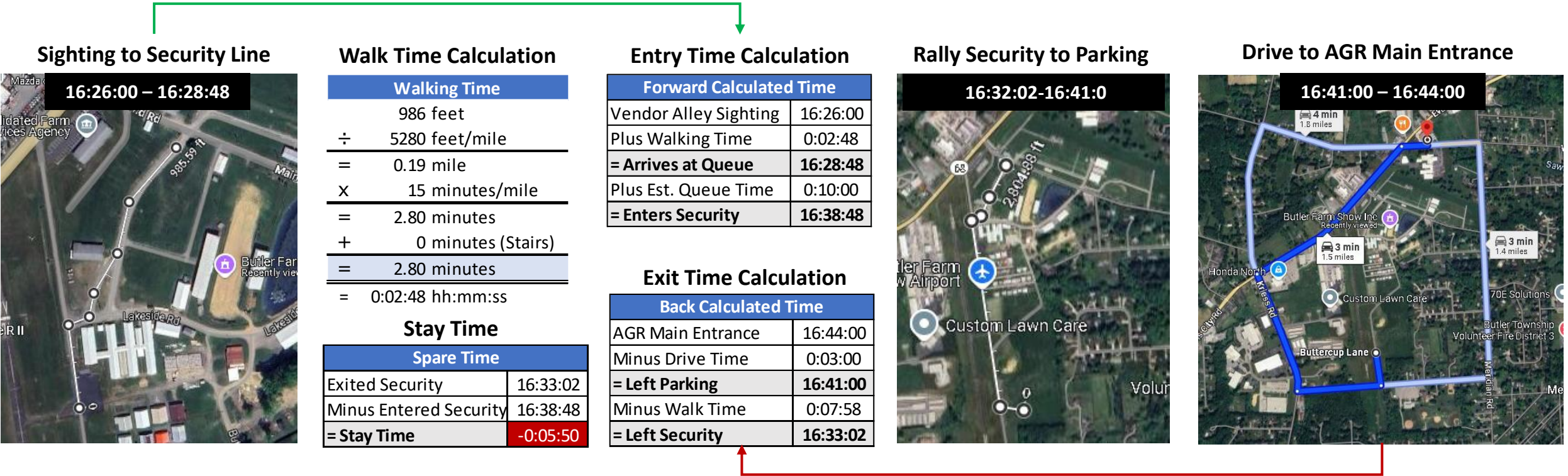
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Security Screening Area

Given that the patsy was seen walking towards the security screening area, it's reasonable to speculate that he may have gone back inside the secure perimeter for a second time. If the patsy did go back inside the secure perimeter, how long did he stay there? Using his last known timestamped location in Vendor Alley, we can forward calculate the approximate time he entered security. Using his next timestamped location at the AGR main entrance where the FBI stated he was parked at 4:44 pm, we can back calculate the approximate time he exited security. The difference will give us an estimated stay time . This is based on him driving from the AGR main entrance to the event parking, and back again, using the western route along Evans City Road where local businesses have security cameras. **As shown below, that results in a negative stay time..** If there was no queue time, the stay time would be less that 5 minutes. **Given the timeline constraints, I conclude that the patsy DID NOT go back inside the secure perimeter.**



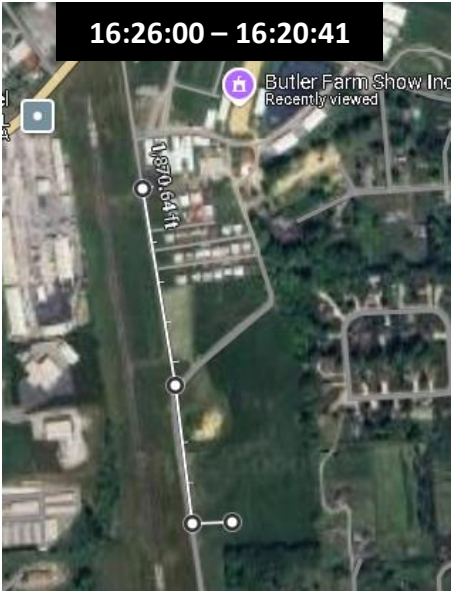
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AGR Main Entrance Sighting

Given that the timeline does not support the patsy going back into the secure perimeter, let’s look at the timeline of him returning to the AGR main entrance at 4:44 pm where he parks his car for the final time. As shown below, based on the patsy driving from the vicinity of the AGR main entrance, which is believed to be where he flew his drone from, to the event parking, taking his walk, then returning to event parking, the patsy likely had around **15 minutes** of spare time. During that time, he would have walked to where he was going, conduct whatever business he went there for, and walk back to the spot he was sighted at. I have no information regarding where or what that was. After returning to the AGR main entrance, he had another **20 minutes** of spare time before he was observed walking onto the AGR property. We’ll take a look what he may have done during that time.

Spare Time = 15 minutes

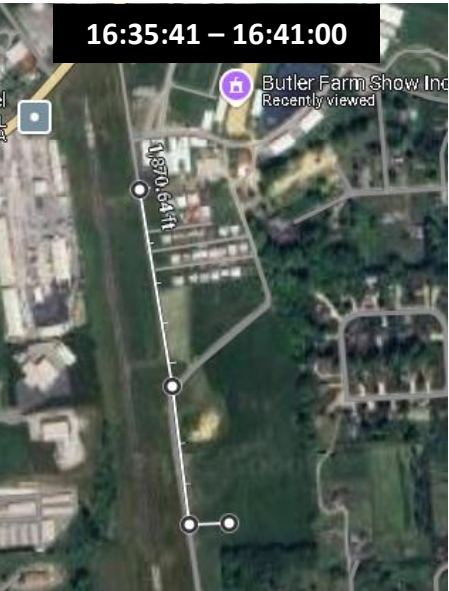
Walk to Sighted Location



Spare Time

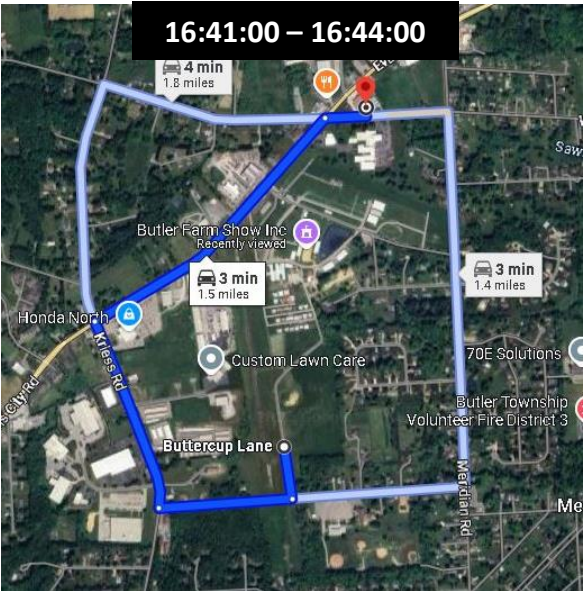
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Spare Time	
Back at Sighting	16:35:41
Minus First at Sighting	16:20:41
= Spare Time	0:15:00

Walk to Even Parking



Spare Time = 20 minutes

Drive to AGR Main Entrance



AGR Main Entrance



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AGR Main Entrance Activities

After returning to the AGR main entrance, the patsy had an extra **20 minutes** before he was observed walking onto the AGR property. Logically speaking, he could have spent that time in or around his car, going to a nearby eatery for food and/or restroom break, or a combination of both. Below is a map showing the four eateries nearby that the patsy may have visited. I calculated the estimated round trip walking time to each of those establishments and subtracted that from the 20 minutes available to determine the estimated stay times. As seen below, there was plenty of time for him to visit any of those four establishments. Regarding the possibility of him remaining in or around his car, below are some of my thoughts on what he may have been doing. Keep in mind that he was parked in a highly visible location, so those activities could have been observed by others.

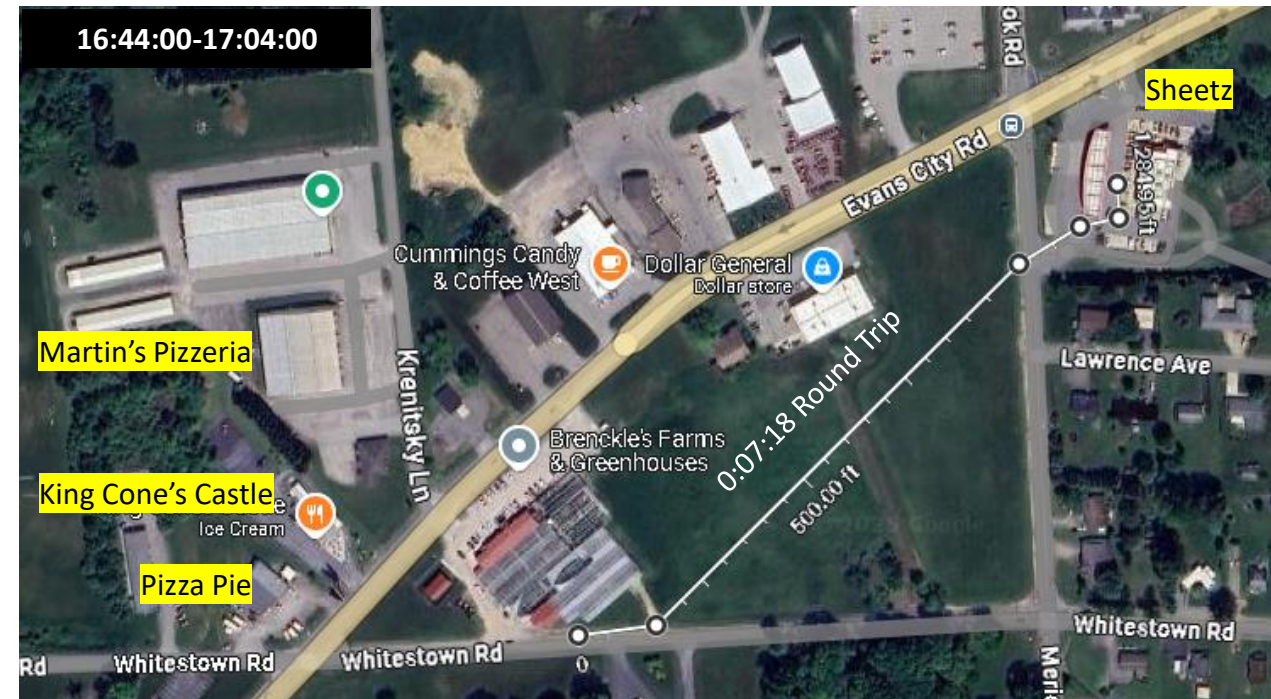
1. Surfing the internet, possibly watching or researching the rally. (e.g. Watching for Trump's arrival, which was at 17:33:00.I.)
2. Loading ammo into his magazines if not done outside the gun store.
3. Collapsing his rifle, if still needed, and placing it in the backpack.
4. Checking on his IEDs, ensuring receivers were in the OFF position. ☹️
5. Generally planning out his next step, building up the courage.
6. Or just playing games on his cell phone waiting for Trump to arrive.

Across From AGR Main Entrance



Stay Times

Pizza Pie = 0:16:20
 King Cone's Castle = 0:17:04
 Martin's Pizzeria = 0:15:56
 Sheetz = 0:12:42



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AGR Main Entrance

The ~17:04:00 sighting of the patsy in Jon Malis' dashcam shows him walking along the northern end of the AGR complex, heading for the west side of the buildings. What the video footage does not reveal is whether or not his Hyundai Elantra is parked along the westbound shoulder of Whitestown Road across from the AGR main entrance, which is where it was discovered after the shooting. There is too much westbound traffic in the way, and Malis ended the released video before his vehicle passed that location. If that was done on purpose, it begs the question, was Malis influenced by any government agency to not show more of the video, which would have showed his vehicle there? Given the fact that the FBI and the media initially withhold information about its location, I have to assume Malis was influenced to cut it short.

Thanks to the Congressional Task Force, we now know that the FBI confirmed that his car was parked there from 16:44:00 to 17:47:00. ([Task Force Report](#), Page 37) So, it must have been parked there when Malis drove by. The 17:47:00 timestamps suggests, however, that he may have drove his vehicle during the 20 minutes local law enforcement lost sight of him between 17:42:00 (seen using rangefinder) and 18:02:00 (seen with backpack). That, however, will be covered in my related "Timeline Analysis – AGR Grounds." For now, it's possible that he was parked in a slightly different spot in that specific location.

This marks the end of the timeline covered by this analysis.



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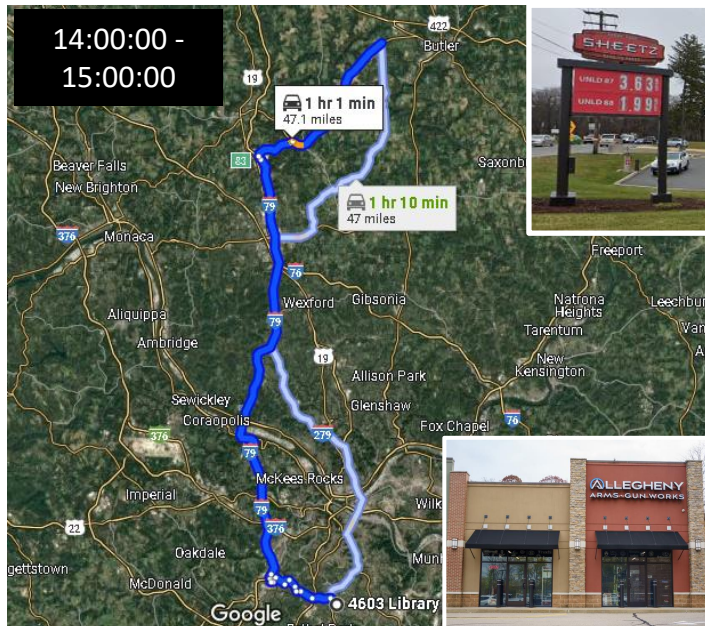
The Patsy's Afternoon "Trip-Tik"

Like I did for his first trip, here is a "Trip Tik" for his second trip. Some of the times , routes, and parking locations are inferred based on the evidence available.

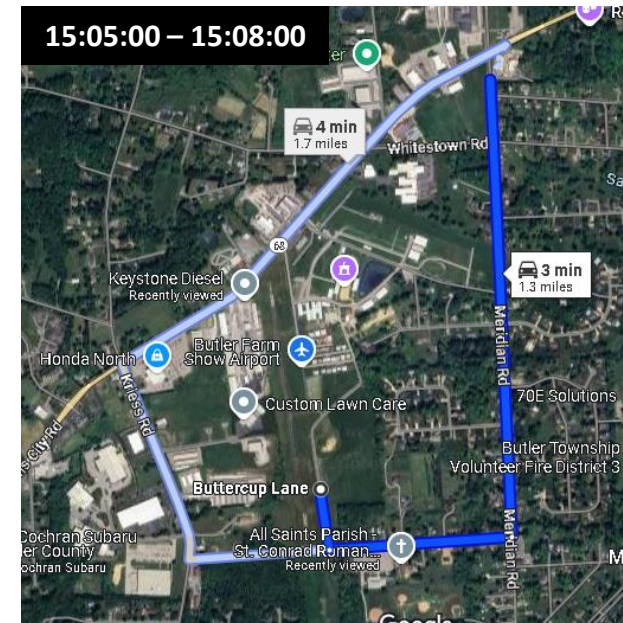
Assuming that the AP reporting was correct, the patsy likely parked at Sheetz upon first arriving in Butler. Assuming he spent ~5 minutes in the gun store parking lot possibly loading ammo into his multiple magazines, he would have left at ~14:00:00 and arrived around 15:00.:00

Assuming he spent ~5 minutes at Sheets getting gas, taking a restroom break, or getting some snacks, he would have arrived at the event parking area around 15:08:00. Allowing for a 0:07:58 walk and 10 minutes in the security screening queue puts him there at ~15:25:58.

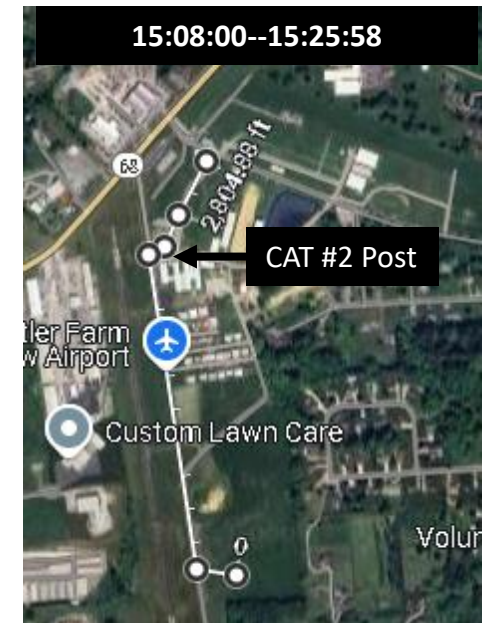
Gun Store to Sheetz



Sheetz to Rally Parking



Rally Parking to Security



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The Patsy's Afternoon "Trip-Tik"

Back calculating from the 15:48:00 sighting of the patsy's car likely by local business security cameras, we can estimate his stay time at and inside the security screening area at ~0:11:04. That is a reasonable stay time for the incident and activities reported.

After driving back to the area north of AGR, likely near the AGR main entrance, in the greenhouse parking lot, the Dollar General parking lot, or even at Sheetz, the patsy then flew his drone for 11 minutes per the FBI. Up to that point, the time is fairly well defined by the reported sightings. In the next slide you will see that the timeline has a few more gaps that we have no information about.

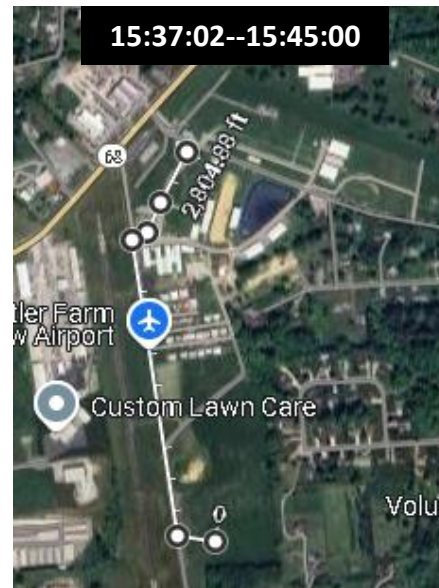
Near "Staging Location"

15:25:58 - 15:37:02



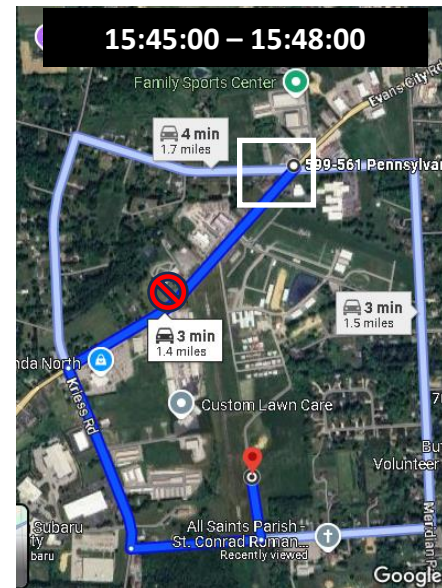
Rally Security to Parking

15:37:02--15:45:00



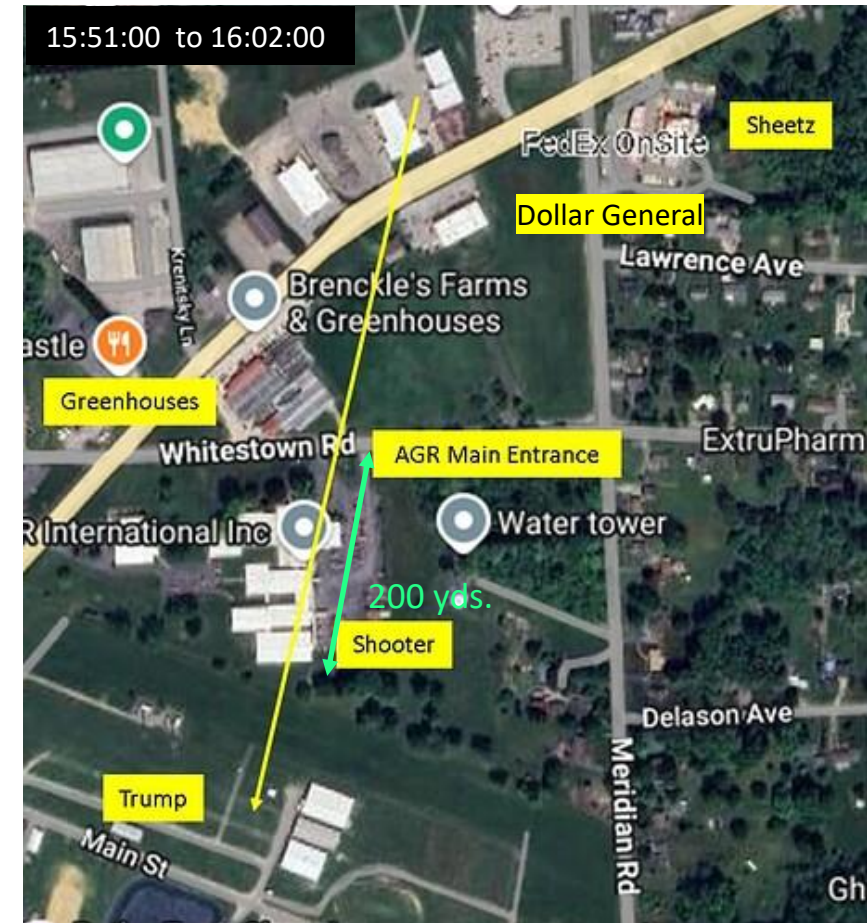
Drive Past Security Cameras

15:45:00 - 15:48:00



Patsy Flies His Drone

15:51:00 to 16:02:00



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The Patsy's Afternoon "Trip-Tik"

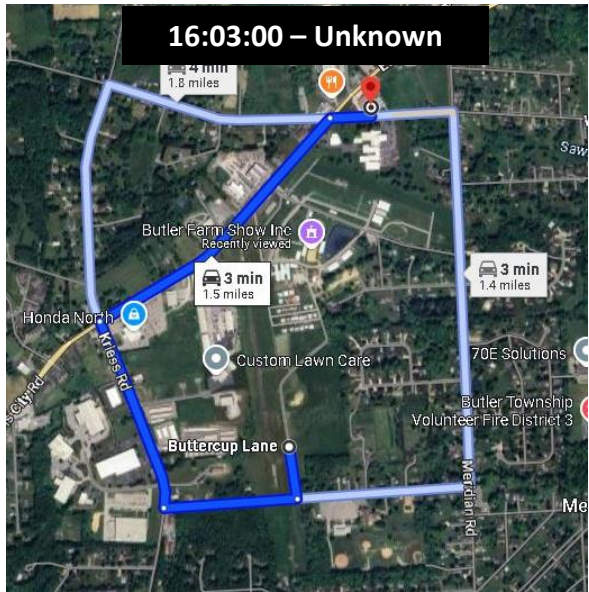
We know from the FBI's statement that he left "the scene" where he flew his drone from 15:51:00 to 16:02:00. At the very latest, if he drove to event parking, he would have had to arrive by 16:20:41 in order to be sighted in Vendor Alley at 16:26:00. During that time period there was **~0:14:41 unaccounted for**, which does not include ~3 minutes needed to drive from one location to the other.

Another time gap exists between his sighting at 16:26:00 (walking north) and his return to that same location on his way back to event parking, if that's where he parked. (It is the same for the reverse if he parked west or southwest of the Farm Show.) That ensures he gets to his car in time to drive to the AGR main entrance by 16:44:00. The **time unaccounted for is ~0:9:41**.

A final time gap exists between the time that the FBI confirmed that his car was parked at the AGR main entrance (16:44:00) and when he was sighted walking onto the AGR property (17:04:00) in Jon Malis' dashcam. The **time unaccounted for is 0:20:00**.

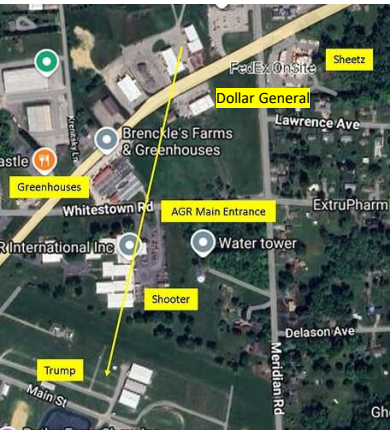
Drive Around

16:03:00 – Unknown



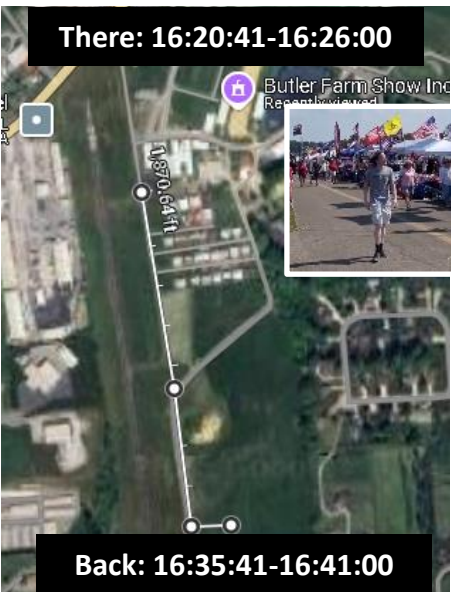
Time Gap 1

There was an **~0:14:41** time gap between the two locations.



Event Parking to Sighting

There: 16:20:41-16:26:00



Time Gap 2

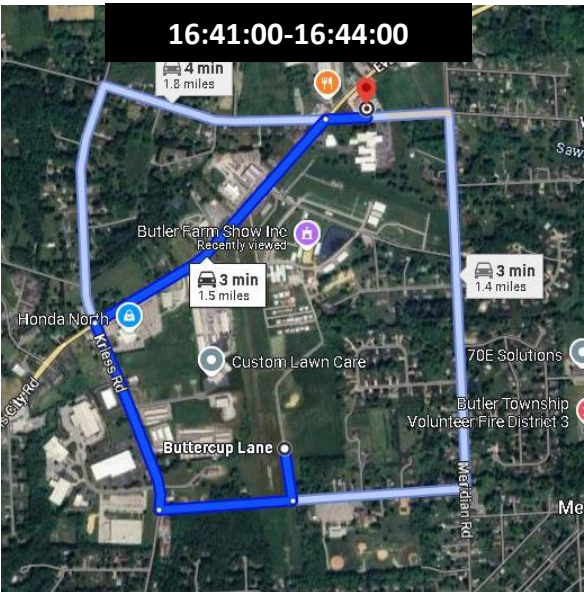
He had **~0:09:41** in between being sighted going there and back.

16:26:00-16:35:41



AGR Main Entrance

16:41:00-16:44:00



Closing Comments

Information Time Gaps

Generally speaking, the timeline is pretty straightforward for the patsy's morning and afternoon visits to Butler on July 13, 2024. With the exception of the time gaps of information described below, we know or can accurately estimate his activities and whereabouts. Perhaps not always his exact location and time, but close enough that we can demonstrate that it aligns with all of the related evidence available.

We have timeline data for the 7:41:00 between the patsy leaving home at ~9:23:00 to go to Home Depot, until he is sighted walking onto the AGR property at ~17:04:00. Of that time, ~13% is essentially not covered by available evidence, or has very limited information associated with it. Looking at the afternoon visit, beginning at 15:00:00 when he likely arrived in Butler to the AGR main entrance 17:04:00 sighting, ~36% of the time has little or no information regarding exact locations and/or activities.

To review, the time gaps were as follows:

Time Gap #1 (~1:12:00) – This is during his morning visit, and all we know is that he was at or near the Butler Farm Show grounds. We can make logical assumptions about some of the activities he was engaged in, but we have no information other than his general location.

Time Gap #2 (~0:14:41) – This was immediately after he flew his drone, and we know that he was most likely in the general area of the western side of the AGR complex and Farm Show, at least during portions of that time. At the very latest, he would have had to park at the event parking by 16:20:41 in order to be sighted in Vendor Alley at 16:26:00. We cannot determine at what time he drove between the two locations, or whether he drove to an additional location during that time.

Time Gap #3 (~0:09:41) – This is immediately after he was sighted in Vendor Alley until he returned to that sighted location on his return walk to the event parking , if he in fact parked there. That is based on ensuring he had enough time to get to the AGR main entrance at 14:44:00.

Time Gap #4 (~0:20:00) – This is the time between 14:44:00, which is when the FBI stated his vehicle was on Whitestown road across from the AGR main entrance, and when he was sighted walking onto the AGR property at ~17:04:00.

Closing Comments

Information Time Gaps

In my analysis above I provided some speculation about where the patsy may have gone or what he may have done during the various time gaps. Below is a list of general things to consider when evaluating those gaps.

1. **Site Surveillance:** Clearly the patsy would have done plenty of that throughout the day. Think of things he would have likely surveyed (e.g. stage location, police presence, roof access points, etc.) During his morning trip he would have likely surveyed the stage location, something he could not have known prior to that day. I previously suggested he likely found his roof access point while walking around the AGR complex, since he ditched the ladder on his way home.
2. **Online Research:** He likely spent some time researching the Farm Show area, such as for travel routes. He was most likely monitoring for information about the rally, especially Trump's arrival time. That may have also included information on the FAA flight restriction times for his drone flight, if he didn't already know.
3. **Shooting Preparations:** He had a few final preparations to make to carry out the shooting. He would need to load the newly purchased ammo into the magazines he had. At some point he likely had to collapse his rifle and place it in his backpack. He likely made a final check of it before doing so.
4. **Biological Breaks:** During the almost 8 hours referenced above, he likely would have had to relieve himself at least once or twice. Logical times would be before he left home for the gun store, and when he arrived in Butler the second time, likely at Sheetz.
5. **Meal Breaks:** It is reasonable to assume he ate breakfast that morning, and likely at least one other meal during the day. I believe the most logical time would have been during Time Gap #4, where he had 4 eateries within walking distance, two of which were pizzerias, and sufficient time for a light meal.
6. **Meeting Someone:** Many believe he had to have a handler, and these time gaps provided a few opportunities to meet with one. One X.com user questioned whether the patsy was following the guy wearing a long-sleeved shirt and pants. I won't speculate about that. I mainly want to point out that this timeline analysis should help you to consider when and where the patsy had the best opportunity to meet a handler, if he had one and met him in the area.

Meeting Handler(s)?



Closing Comments

Selective Omission of Evidence

In addition to the time gaps lacking information, there are other instances where we see a selective release of evidence, not just from the media and FBI, but also from the congressional investigations. Below are three examples of the media, FBI, and congressional investigations selectively omitting data.

- **Cell Phone Tracking Data** – Given the information time gaps, it would be nice to have all of the cell phone tracking data that the PSP has. The Task Force report only provided two references to PSP cell phone tracking data that I could find, 10:58:00 to 11:50:00 and 15:37:00. Since tracking is only possible for times the cell phone was communicating with one or more towers, it is likely that he used his phone multiple times during the earlier tracking period of 52 minutes. He likely used his cell phone more than once during the afternoon, yet apparently the Task Force did not find any other tracked location significant enough to include in their report.
- **The Patsy's Car** – The FBI never released the make and model of the patsy's car, and they never publicly released its location, aside from a few general references to where he was driving. There were some early media reports that referenced that information, like the AP stating he parked at Sheetz and the NYT stating he drove a Hyundai Sonata (inaccurate reporting or intentional misinformation?) The media went crickets after that early reporting. The Task Force did provide information about where he parked between 16:44:00 and 17:47:00, based on FBI data, but never mentioned the make or model. In fact, none of the government investigations revealed the make or model of the patsy's vehicle in their reports. How many other major events do you recall where the media and the government withheld vehicle information of the suspect?
- **The Rangefinder** – We know the make and model of the patsy's rifle, the specific ammo he purchased, and the make of the drone he flew along with some of its features. We have also been told the make of his backpack, and have been given enough information to figure out the make and model of the ladder he purchased. The one object we have not been provided any identifying information on is his rangefinder. Combine that with the fact that there was no reporting of where the rangefinder was found after the shooting, though we do see the Allegheny County Bomb Squad officer Painter fail to find it in the patsy's cargo shorts pocket when he examined the body. We also have no documented mention or photograph of it in the FBI evidence. All we really have are two videos showing what is clearly the rangefinder in his cargo shorts pocket. Next to the rifle, the rangefinder was the most critical piece of evidence since the sighting of the patsy using it made him a suspicious person.

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Patsy Sightings Map 1 - Offsite Afternoon Travels

- ~13:55:00 - Purchased ammunition while en-route to Butler. **FBI**

1
- ~15:00:00 - Parked at a gas station. **AP**

2
- ~15:25:58 – He set off the metal detector at the rally entrance because he was carrying a rangefinder . **NYP**

3
- 15:48:00 – Sighted by security cameras. **Task Force/FBI**

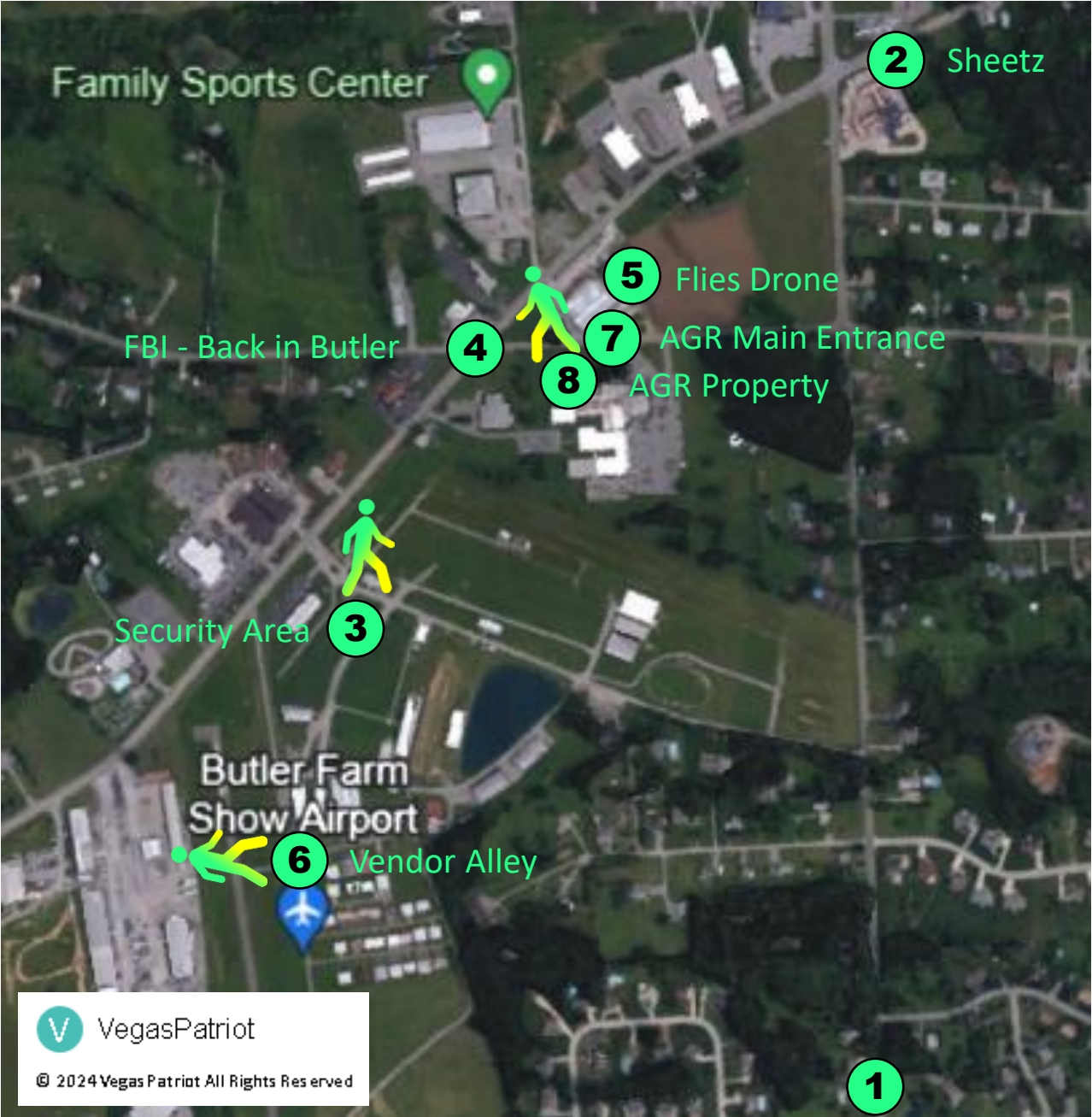
4
- ~15:51:00-16:02:00 – Flew drone at ~200 yards from the Farm Show grounds. **FBI**

5
- 16:26:00 – Filmed walking in Vendor Alley. **IronClad USA**

6
- 16:44:00– Parked along Whitestown Road near AGR. **FBI**

7
- 17:04:00 – Walked onto AGR property. **Jon Malis**

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“Thank You More Please”

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If you would like to see more of my work, and that of others who have contributed to the Peak Prosperity Citizen’s Investigation, go to the shared [File Browser](#) hosted by contributor @brian60221, and is open to the “public” (hint, hint)

