

# LAW ENFORCEMENT INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT

May 7th, 2007

## I. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this agreement is to identify expected behavior and guidelines for interagency pursuits.

## II. GOALS:

1. Develop procedures and identify role expectations for pursuits which enter another jurisdiction;
2. Better manage interagency pursuits;
3. Reduce the risk of injury to officers and citizens and damage to property; and
4. Reduce confusion between jurisdictions.

## III. DEFINITIONS:

1. **Barricade:** The intentional blocking of a roadway, by any means, to stop a vehicle being pursued.
2. **Boxing in:** The placement of a police vehicle into the path or potential path of a vehicle with the intent of slowing and stopping the vehicle or keeping the vehicle stopped.
3. **Pursuit:** Initiated by a police officer after a driver refuses to stop when signaled to do so by a police officer using emergency lights and/or siren.
4. **Tactical Vehicle Intervention (TVI):** Using a police vehicle to purposely cause contact with another vehicle in order to bring that vehicle to a stop.
5. **Spike Strips:** A strip of belting containing specially designed hollow spikes which penetrates tires, causing the tire(s) to slowly deflate.

6. **Communications:** The primary channel for communications will be that of the lead pursuing agency. If possible all agencies involved will switch to the pursuing agency's radio channel during the duration of the pursuit.

#### IV. POLICY:

It is the policy of this interagency agreement to be subservient to individual department pursuit policies. Participating agencies endeavor to support this agreement with their individual pursuit policies.

#### V. PROCEDURE:

1. Notification. If a pursuit is likely to enter another jurisdiction, notify the law enforcement agency for that jurisdiction as soon as practical.

- a. Pursuing agency's role:

- Provide the reason for the pursuit as soon as possible
- Provide location, vehicle/suspect description, direction (LSD)

- b. Receiving agency's role:

- Advise, as soon as possible, what role they will assume (engagement, supervisory control or perimeter support).
- If possible the receiving/assisting agency will switch to the pursuing agency's radio channel to assist in the pursuit, unless said agency assumes the lead role.

- c. Dispatch role:

- Attempt to align interagency communication.

2. Control.

- a. Pursuing agency role:

Upon notification or receiving agency taking control, facilitate their taking control of the pursuit. At least one car from the initiating agency will maintain a position to respond at the conclusion of the pursuit.

b. Receiving agency role:

Supervisory control is not meant to supercede or violate another agency's pursuit policy. A supervisor or officer, from any agency, may exert authority to terminate their agency's involvement in the pursuit if circumstances warrant.

3. Number of units actively involved.

A maximum of four (4) units, regardless of combination of departments, will be actively engaged in a pursuit. The maximum number of four (4) units shall not include supervisor and K-9 units. This agreement shall remain flexible and if exceptional circumstances exist a supervisor may authorize additional units in events such as: i.e., multiple dangerous suspects, shots fired, armed robbery.)

4. Support.

Units not directly engaged will endeavor to position themselves to provide assistance for perimeter containment or traffic control.

5. Pursuit Intervention.

Before deploying a pursuit intervention (i.e., spike strips, tactical vehicle intervention, boxing in, barricading, deadly physical force, air support), the deploying agency will endeavor to make advance notification, including defining the type of intervention.

VI. INTERAGENCY PURSUIT AGREEMENT SIGNATURE BLOCK:

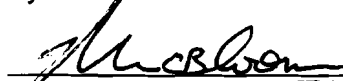
We, below, agree with the above listed problem and response for the Lane County Law Enforcement Interagency Pursuit Agreement.

This Agreement does not depend for its value or enforceability in a court of law, but rather on the spirit of cooperation and willingness to work together to make our community a better, safer place to live and work.

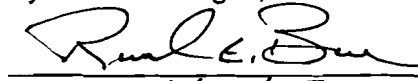
This Agreement shall commence and take effect on June 1<sup>st</sup> 2007, or date of signing, and continue from year to year thereafter. This Agreement may be modified at any time by mutual consent of the parties hereto. Any participating agency to this Agreement may withdraw upon the giving of thirty (30) days written notice to the other participating agencies.

PARTICIPANTS:

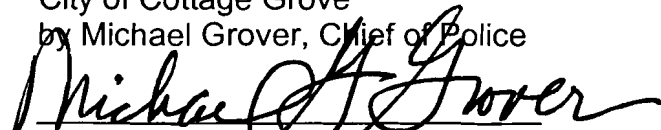
Oregon State Police (Springfield)  
by Lt. Mike Bloom

  
Date: MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2007


Lane County Sheriff's Office  
by Russel Burger, Sheriff

  
Date: 5/17/07

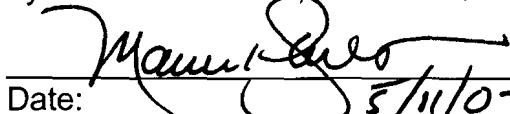
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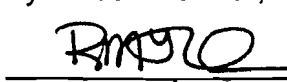
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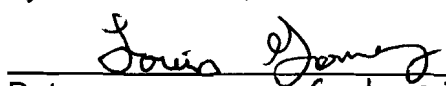
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City of Eugene  
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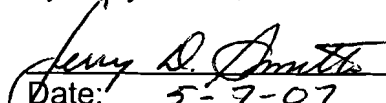
City of Oakridge  
by Louis Gomez, Chief of Police

  
Date: 6-1-07

City of Junction City  
by Ken Hancock, Chief of Police

  
Date: 3-25-07

City of Springfield  
by Jerry Smith, Chief of Police

  
Date: 5-7-07