SHELLS.	LANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE POLICY	Number: <b>G.O. 10.03</b> Issue Date: March 21, 2005
F 5 O		Revision Date: November 2, 2005; July 8, 2014
CHAPTER: Specialized Operations		Related Policy: G.O. Chapter 7, BLM contract
SUBJECT: Forest/BLM Patrol		Related Laws: Secure Rural Schools and Self Determination Act (Title III)

**POLICY:** It is the policy of this Sheriff's Office to provide Deputies to conduct general law enforcement functions on Federal Forest and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administered lands within Lane County under the provisions of Title III and BLM funding.

**RULE:** None.

#### **PROCEDURE:**

## I. Organization

- A. The Forest/BLM Patrol program is under the organizational control of the Police Services Division Captain.
- B. The Program is managed by the section Lieutenant.
- C. The Program is directly supervised by the assigned Sergeant.

## II. <u>Duties of Forest Patrol Deputies</u>:

- A. Deputies assigned to Forest patrol, either continually or temporarily, shall have the responsibility to:
  - 1. Fulfill general Law Enforcement duties.
  - 2. Assist Federal Law Enforcement Agencies with their responsibilities.

## B. Calls for service

- 1. Geographical areas consist of Lane County and Federally owned lands in Lane County. Included are federal parks, trails, camping areas, water bodies, and O.H.V. areas.
- 2. Generally, Forest Deputies will respond to calls for service in their assigned geographical boundaries or within the scope of their assignment as a Forest Deputy.

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- 3. When on duty, Forest Deputies will be dispatched to all calls for service on Federal Forest lands.
- 4. When a Forest Deputy is not on duty, calls for service within Forest lands that do not require immediate response, as determined by the onduty supervisor, will be held by dispatch until the next Forest Deputy is on duty.
- 5. At the request of the U.S.F.S and/or BLM, Forest Deputies may be dispatched to calls for service which main office patrol does not normally respond to. If no Forest Deputy is on duty, the response reverts back to Main Office Patrol response guidelines, policies, and procedures.
- 6. A Forest Deputy may be assigned to respond to other types of calls for service under the following circumstances:
  - a. With the approval of the Forest Patrol Sergeant or Section Lieutenant, or if they are unavailable, the on-duty Main Office Supervisor.
  - b. The call for service is a priority one or two that involves eminent danger to a person.

## III. Forest Patrol Sergeant Duties:

- A. Supervise Deputies assigned to Forest Patrol and maintain current scheduling of program shifts, to include time off, training, etc.
- B. Act as Liaison for Federal/County issues, coordinating Sheriff's Office responses to address needs identified by either Federal agencies and/or the Sheriff's Office.

## IV. Duties of BLM Patrol Deputies

- A. Deputies assigned to BLM patrol, either continually or temporarily, shall have the responsibility to:
  - 1. Fulfill general Law Enforcement duties.
  - 2. Assist Federal Law Enforcement Agencies with their responsibilities.

### B. Calls for service

1. Geographical areas consist of Lane County and public lands administered by BLM. Included are trails, campgrounds, roads, recreation areas, and water bodies.

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- 2. Generally, BLM Deputies will respond to calls for service in their assigned geographical boundaries or within the scope of their assignment as a BLM Deputy.
- 3. When on duty, BLM Deputies will be dispatched to all calls for service on BLM administered lands.
- 4. When a BLM Deputy is not on duty, calls for service within BLM administered lands that do not require immediate response, as determined by the on- duty supervisor, will be held by dispatch until the next BLM Deputy is on duty.
- 5. At the request of the U.S.F.S and/or BLM, BLM Deputies may be dispatched to calls for service which main office patrol does not normally respond to. If no BLM Deputy is on duty, the response reverts back to Main Office Patrol response guidelines, policies, and procedures.
- 6. A BLM Deputy may be assigned to respond to other types of calls for service under the following circumstances:
  - a. With the approval of the BLM Patrol Sergeant or Section Lieutenant, or if they are unavailable, the on-duty Main Office Supervisor.
  - b. The call for service is a priority one or two that involves eminent danger to a person.

# V. <u>BLM Patrol Sergeant Duties</u>:

- A. Supervise Deputies assigned to BLM Patrol and maintain current scheduling of program shifts, to include time off, training, etc.
- B. Act as Liaison for BLM/County issues, coordinating Sheriff's Office responses to address needs identified by either BLM and/or the Sheriff's Office.

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