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Dear Sheriff ^{Dennis} Dotson and District Attorney Barnett:

ORS 181.781 to 181.799 codify SB 111 (2007). You submitted for the Attorney General's consideration on April 4, 2008 a deadly force plan created by the Lincoln County Deadly Force Planning Authority. ORS 181.783 (10) provides in pertinent part:

No later than 30 days after receiving the plan, the Attorney General shall review the plan for compliance with the minimum requirements described in ORS 181.786. If the Attorney General determines that the plan complies with the minimum requirements, the Attorney General shall approve the plan.

The Attorney General is not empowered by law to substitute the Attorney General's judgment for that of the Planning Authority as to any element of the plan. Our review is limited to determining whether your plan complies with the minimum requirements described in ORS 181.786.

We have reviewed your submission. It complies with the minimum requirements described in ORS 181.786. The Attorney General therefore approves of Lincoln County's deadly force plan. Thank you for completing this important plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter D. Shepherd", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

PETER D. SHEPHERD
Deputy Attorney General

