

# July 2025 SOSN Meeting

Deschutes County Parole and Probation  
63360 NW Britta Street Building 2  
Bend, OR97703

July 22nd, 2025 1:00 to 5:00 pm / July 23rd, 2025 8:30-12:30pm

The mission of the Sex Offender Supervision Network (SOSN) is to: Establish statewide leadership, develop consistent standard evaluations, treatment and supervision, share resources and expertise; train and enhance skill development, and provide educated and informed recommendations and input to the department, to local community leaders and the Legislature on policy issues related to community supervision of sex offenders and their treatment.

## Tuesday

1:00 pm      Introductions/County update      Per County

- Linn County- PO Kelsey Heffner taking on SO caseload
- Marion County- Will only be sending one representative to SOSN going forward due to budget cuts
- Lane County- Down multiple POs, moving to case bank between 500 and 1,000 offenders
- Clatsop County- PO Jasper Devereaux is transitioning out of the caseload, PO Edward Stone will be taking over
- Josephine County- Losing one PO, will not be backfilling due to budget cuts
- Polk County- Lost one PO, unsure if will be backfilling due to budget cuts
- Benton County- Lost a PO to retirement last December, not backfilling

1:15 pm      OSP updates      Dale Hoffman/Beth Gordon

- Introduced Jeffery Janssen as the new OPA for the SOR Unit
- Present was Mitch Stephens who has been the Deputy Director for the SOR unit for about the last year
- Mitch, Dale, and Beth asked about issues or concerns being had with the new SOR system
- Concerns about not being able to use in the field, Mitch advised a "whitelisted" IP address would be needed for access to the server. POs need to contact the LEDS Help Desk with the IP address needing to be whitelisted.
- Dale reminded that there are recordings of the previous SOR demos that were conducted online. POs can email Dale directly to get access.
- Beth confirmed that SORM is officially obsolete as of 6/8/2025
- Beth encouraged POs to reach out to her directly for further support for SOR

1:35 pm Parole Board Updates

Dylan Arthur

- Legislation is motivated to fix the ongoing backlog of unlevelled sex offenders and approved funding for 6 assessment specialists, 2 hearing officers, and 1 program manager. These are 5-year limited duration positions, and full-time.
- Regarding Thompson v. Board of Parole which intended to factor in desistence when levelling sex offenders- Went to legislation under SB1122. Was determined that the state would retain the current practice of levelling sex offenders based on their time of release
- Sex offenders can now be re-levelled based on a sexually-motivated PV, arrest, or charge. Let Erin Nelson know if you intend on re-levelling an offender on this criteria.
- Recent Supreme Court ruling determined that offender sentences had been calculated wrong. There are roughly 10,000 current cases being reviewed by hand and will be prioritized by nearest release date. Estimating a n approximate timeline of 1-1 ½ years to complete.
- Rick from Lane County requested that the formatting be adjusted on Board Orders for sex offenders who have the Enhanced Electronic Devices Condition under SC10 in order to make it easier to read.
- The Board will be repealing the old “auto-levelling” system and implementing a “targeted assessment” that will remove the relationship question and victim questions.

2:20 pm DOC/Compact/EDIS/STTL Updates

Mark Patterson

#### Compact

- Discussed CA condition for SOs, requiring them to wear GPS monitors for the entirety of their supervision. Any POs who are getting incoming Compacts from CA for SOs need to notify CA whether or not they can satisfy the GPS condition.
- Mark reported that there are 28 new rule proposals that will be discussed at the meeting at the end of December in Puerto Rico. Advised to be prepared for changes.
- Reported a new ICOTs replacement will be rolled out next year called “Insite”
- Mark clarified that appropriate response times for case closures should be 24-48. For other CARs, Mark’s office will reach out directly to the PO if nothing has been done after 10 days.

#### EDIS/STTL

- The PPS cases being reviewed for sentencing errors could affect both EDIS and STTL warrants.
- No EDIS/STTL/AIP updates otherwise.

## FSAP

- FSAP will be continuing for the 5 participating counties over the next biennium.

3:00 pm Dale Hoffman with OSP gave a brief demo of the new SOR system.

3:30 pm OACCD Steve Works

- Steve reported that OACCD would not be approving the SOSN budget request and is asking DOC to fund STATIC/STABLE trainings. Shawna Johnson advised that Katie Gotch is currently booked through the year anyway and would not be available to provide any trainings.
- OACCD is requesting that all networks submit their agendas for approval at least 30-days prior to the next meeting.

3:55 pm Sub-Committee Group breakout

4:30 pm Sub-Committee Reports.

### Training (Joe Krug- Linn County)

- Marion County has agreed to host the potential spring 2026 Sex Offender Specialist Academy. Lane County offered to be an alternate.
- There are currently 22 possible academy attendees.

### Legislative: (Jasper Devereaux- Clatsop County)

- No updates on FTR language from OSP
- Rachel with Deschutes will provide a contact for the DOC legislative rep for future work on SOSN providing a recommendation for AI-generated CSAM
- Sending initial draft of letter to Steve Works with OACCD for feedback and will address at the next SOSN in October.

4:45 SOSN chair and sub-committee Voting

- Sandra Torres with Washington County was voted to retain the 3<sup>rd</sup> chair position
- Curtis Harper with Morrow County was voted to the 2<sup>nd</sup> chair position
- Chris Jansen with Josephine County will assume the 1<sup>st</sup> chair position
- Alex Esselstrom with Deschutes County was voted to be the Legislative sub-committee chair
- Angela Beier with Polk County was voted to retain the best practices sub-committee chair
- Rick Pokorny was voted to be the training sub-committee chair

## Wednesday

9:00 am Training Effective Supervision of CSAM Offenders

- Presentation by Rachel Strickland with Deschutes County
- Presented effective approaches for supervising deviant sex offenders who access or have accessed CSAM.
- Reviewed search procedure and use of Miranda when asking for consent to search an offender's person or electronic devices
- Discussed SB1510 regarding LE officers and their requirement to obtain written, video, or audio consent to search. This is not currently applied to POs however is likely something that will be coming
- Discussed using a proactive approach to supervision, specifically using the consent to modify and stip-mo process to add electronic device conditions.
- Rachel gave a brief demo of Remote-Com/SCOUT monitoring software demo
- Discussion about Data Pilot and how it can assist with phone searches
- Discussed faraday bags and how they are effective at eliminating a phone's cell signal and preventing offenders from wiping their devices remotely

11:30 am Break

12:00 pm Round Table All members

- Josephine County- Question about a victim requesting an SO to not release to their county out of fear. Suggested to take this to a director and an agreement can be made per OAR.
- Clatsop County- Question regarding how or if other counties are notifying employers of level I SOs status. Suggested that the PO has the offender add the employer to an ROI, reminded of our authority via GCf which permits us to visit the offender at their workplace but advised that we shouldn't go to POTENTIAL workplaces and wait until the offender is actually working there.
- Deschutes County- Question regarding an SO with historical sex offense who offended a 17 year old with Downs Syndrome and recently was hired to work for a funeral home collecting bodies. Asked if this should be allowed and a suggestion was given that workplace boundaries be drawn up.
- Deschutes County- Suggesting SOSN make a formal recommendation regarding how frequently low/casebank SOs are polygraphed. Rick from Lane County volunteered to gather research/EBP to help inform the recommendation.
- Lane County- Asking about EDIS for SOs who have not completed their SHD. Suggestions to modify Probation conditions to include specific wording that requires an SHD, also suggested tying it to the offender's caseplan.
- Linn County- Reminder to notify other counties if their offenders are living in that county. Discussion about SO-specific IRT rules as well.

- Linn County- Asked about possible housing resource for transgender SOs. Rachel from Deschutes advised of a program in Multnomah County called “Beyond These Walls LGBT” as a possible resource.
- Benton County- Shawna discussed the Northwest Regional Transfer Agreement. Reminded that any offender who has SO conditions, regardless of whether they are currently supervised for a sex offense, must have an approved IRT or ERI before moving to the county they are requesting to be transferred to. Historical SOs with no current SO conditions do not qualify (unless they are level II or level III), however the receiving county determines historical status and can challenge the request from the sending county.
- Polk County- Asked about an SO who is recently released from prison and wanting to buy a home in another county. Suggested she communicate with the other county ahead of time, and remind the SO that they not be approved and required to move back to the original county.
- Linn County- Asked about any other POs who have experience with the “Eye Detect” testing. Darren from Douglas advised he will still polygraph SOs if the SOTX only uses Eye Detect. Rick from Lane County advised that offenders seem to prefer the Eye Detect over polys explaining it is easier to understand.
- Douglas County- Asking if it is problematic to retain an offender’s SHD in their file after they expire, citing it is public record and the info in the SHD could include additional crimes. Some counties don’t keep the questionnaire and only keep the poly report. Multiple counties advised to keep it regardless explaining that info can be redacted if a FOIA request is made.
- Union County- Asked what other counties are doing with SOs who never pass a poly. Suggested to utilize addendums, treatment interventions, and limiting privileges related to their conditions.
- OACCD- Steve Works advised he would be relaying SOSN’s strong stance of maintaining quarterly meetings to OACCD.

12:30pm: Meeting adjourned.

\*Upcoming important dates:

January 27/28 2026- Lane County- Eugene

April 28/29 2026- Umatilla County- Pendleton

July 28/29, 2026- TBD

October 27/28, 2026- TBD

**Officers/Members**

SOSN membership consists of Parole and Probation Officers from around the state.

Membership also consists of members of the Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, institutions counselors, Oregon Youth Authority, Oregon State Police and Oregon Association of Treatment of Sexual Abusers (OATSA). Attendance is open to all state and county directors and

staff. SOSN consists of: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> chair positions. All positions are held for a period of 2 years and voted for in July every second year.

Current Term:

1<sup>st</sup>- Christopher Jansen [cjansen@josephinecounty.gov](mailto:cjansen@josephinecounty.gov)

2<sup>nd</sup>- Curtis Harper [charper@morrowcountyor.gov](mailto:charper@morrowcountyor.gov)

3<sup>rd</sup>- Sandra Torres [Sandra\\_torres@washingtoncountyor.gov](mailto:Sandra_torres@washingtoncountyor.gov)

1<sup>st</sup> chair (President) - coordination of the SOSN agenda each quarter with members scheduled to present to the group. To distribute the SOSN agenda in a timely manner through email as well as to arrange with each county the location of the meetings to run each SOSN meeting efficiently and effectively. Oversee and assist with other groups that information is being shared and progress is being made.

2<sup>nd</sup> chair: - To obtain the attendance and track training hours on an F-6 form and turn into DPSST. Further to assist 1<sup>st</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> chair in any duties as necessary. To put attendance in the SOSN Google Share Attendance.

3<sup>rd</sup> chair- to record the minutes of each SOSN meeting and place these minutes onto the SOSN Google Share Drive prior to the next scheduled meeting and after getting minutes approved by 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> chair. Fill in with tasks needed at a meeting when 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> chair is not able to attend.

### **SOSN Google Share Drive Link**

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1iey4cbkaKWSk59Wy5CiOqIgfeTOjdrMY?usp=sharing>

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### **SOSN subcommittees**

Legislative-monitoring and tracking of all sex offender related legislation. Encouraged that this chair attends legislative hearings.

Lead:

Best Practices-makes recommendations regarding standards of supervision and / or treatment of sex offenders these recommendations are voted on by SOSN. If approved, recommendations are then presented to OACCD by the director's liaison for approval. Lead:

Training-Facilitates the availability of on-going professional training to SOSN members regarding the supervision of sex offenders. Assists in arranging training opportunities at SOSN meetings. Oversees and provides a tentative training schedule for SO Academy, group will vote

on final schedule. Requests training and money for trainings from OACCD. This Committee organizes and coordinates the annual Sex Offender Specialist Training.

Lead: Joe Krug

**Meetings:**

SOSN meets quarterly in the following months: January, April, July and October. Meetings are held in different counties throughout the state to promote participation from all state and county departments. They are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday and Wednesday of the month.