

Josephine (JO) County (CO) Justice System (JS) & Public Safety Services (PSS)

JO CO Justice System & Public Safety Services

The 2012 expiration of federal funding for services resulted in two JO CO proposed levies as a solution. They both failed. “*Is JO CO providing a minimally adequate level of public safety services?*”¹⁻²

MINIMALLY ADEQUATE LEVEL OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES. OAR 213-070-000 (2011)³

Purpose. OAR 213-070-0000 The purpose of these rules is to provide **guidance** about the process and procedures the Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) will employ if the governing body of any CO **or** the Governor seeks a declaration of a **PSS Emergency** by requesting that the CJC review and analyze PSS provided by that CO.

Policy. OAR 213-070-0005 The resulting **guidelines** are intended to incorporate factors integral to a **reasonable and adequate operation** of each area of PSS under consideration, in order to facilitate the ability to **evaluate each CO’s current level of PSS relative to its own historic standards PSS levels**. The CJC recognizes that individual counties have differing priorities and methodologies of providing PSS, and to that end the CJC intends to **compare a CO’s current provision of PSS to that same county’s historic level of services provision, rather than to compare a CO’s provision of PSS to that of other COs**.

1. Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (HNA&HS). July 9, 2013. *Justice System Exploratory Committee*. Hugo, OR.

2. Hugo Neighborhood Association. July 9, 2013. *All Voters & Votes Are Legitimate*. Hugo, OR.

Guidelines For Evaluating Compliance With MALPSS Threshold

Definitions OAR 213-070-0010

- “**Minimally Adequate Level of Public Safety Services**” (MALPSS) is that level of PSS determined to be required to provide a **reasonable level of public safety** within the CO. The Com will determine the level of services that are minimally adequate in a particular CO by following the process set forth in these rules, analyzing the contextual factors present in the county as well as the current and historical levels of PSS provided by the CO.
- “PSS Emergency” is a situation in which a CO is in a **state of fiscal distress** that compromises the CO’s **ability to provide a MALPSS. Current Level of PSS OAR 213-070-0020** This rule defines information sources and areas of PSS such as CO jail operations and law enforcement, investigation, and patrol.

Current Level of PSS. OAR 213-070-0020 (1)

Following a written **request from the Governor or the CO**, the CJC gathers information regarding the current level of PSS provided by the CO. (2) The CJC gathers and analyzes information regarding the CO’s current level of PSS.

Historical Level of PSS. OAR 213-070-0030

This rule defines how the CJC conducts a review of the **PSS historically provided** by the CO over at least the five years immediately preceding the date of the request, to determine the **historic baseline of PSS provided by the CO** during that time.

3. Oregon Secretary of State. January 1, 2011. *OAR 213-070-0000: Minimally Adequate Level of Public Safety Services*. Oregon Criminal Justice Commission Division 70, Oregon Administrative Rules contain OARs filed through July 15, 2011. Authority ORS 203.095. Salem, OR

Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 213-070-000 (2011)

The CJC **compares the historic baseline level of PSS to the current level of PSS** provided by the CO to assist in determining whether the CO is providing a MALPSS.

Context Under Which Factors Are to Be Considered.

OAR 213-070-0040 (1) When evaluating the factors set forth in these rules to determine **whether the CO is providing a MALPSS**, the CJC takes into consideration the CO’s: population density; geographic characteristics; historical crime rates; and other relevant factors.

(2) The CJC **evaluates the crime rate statistics in the CO as most recently available and compare and contrast them to historical crime rate statistics in the CO over at least the five years** immediately preceding the date of the request. Crime rates shall be determined by reference to the Oregon Uniform Crime Reports. The crime rate statistics considered shall include the violent crime index, property crime index, crime rates for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants under ORS 813.010, and crime rates for Assault IV under ORS 163.160.

(3) The CJC may also consider the **median level of PSS provided in any or all other counties** in one or more of the areas required to be analyzed under OAR 213-070-0020(2).

Findings and Recommendation. OAR 213-070-0050 (1)

“...The CJC makes findings as to whether the CO is providing a MALPSS. The CJC accomplishes this by **comparing the current level of PSS** (as determined under OAR 213-070-0020) **with the historical level of public safety services** (as determined under OAR 213-070-0040), analyzed in the context set forth in OAR 213-070-0030. . .”

Exploratory Committee's Mission

Mission An independent Justice System and Public Safety Services Exploratory Committee (*Exploratory Committee*) to investigate the JO CO Justice System & Public Safety Services (JS&PSS) issue was formed under the leadership of the Hugo Neighborhood Association and Historical Society (HNA&HS).

Big picture ideas for the exploratory effort include the following.

1. Identifying the JS&PSS issue.
2. Identifying the JS&PSS sub-issues for research and analysis.
3. Identifying a range in level of services
4. Identifying a range of costs for services.
5. Identifying revenues for services.

The ultimate goal is an adequate justice system and public safety services. Is it possible to have a higher level of service for a lower cost? The purpose of the *Exploratory Committee* is to gather information adequate enough to understand the JS&PSS issues. This includes educational outreach efforts.

The *Exploratory Committee's* purpose is limited to investigating and researching the JS&PSS issues. It will not make evaluations of right or wrong, nor make recommendations on how to vote.

The contents of this brochure are expressions of the opinions and beliefs of those that contribute based on their thoughts and experiences. Hopefully, their efforts will assist the public toward informed decision-making.

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