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Sex Offender Addressing verification Program (SOAP)

Location: Prineville, Oregon

With the cooperation of the Crook County Sheriff's Office and Crook County District Attorney, the Prineville Police Department is conducting its annual "Sex Offender Addressing verification Program". Officers will physically verify the registration compliance of all Sex Offenders known to reside in the City of Prineville and within the City's Urban Growth Boundary.

Neighborhood Officers will take the files of the 73 State registered sex offenders and confirm that they are all still in compliance with State laws regarding their addressing requirements as registered sex offenders. This is a 14% increase in the number of sex offender addresses verified from last year in 2010. The number of registered sex offenders verified through this program has jumped from 41, in 2008 to 73 in 2011 an increase of 44%.

The kick off the SOAP program is normally scheduled to coincide with the first week of school, but was delayed one week due to the Run to the Cascades Motorcycle Rally and reduced staffing levels.

If anyone has any questions regarding sex offenders living in their neighborhood they can contact their Neighborhood Officer or the Oregon State Police Sex Offender Registration Unit at (503) 378-3720.

Eric Bush
Chief of Police

