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### NOTICE OF REGIONAL MEETINGS

April 15, 2010

To Our Valued Customers,

In early February of this year, your agency was notified of a budget note written by the Oregon Legislature directing the Oregon State Police (OSP) to review the fees established for services provided by the Identification Services Section (ISS). A copy of the notice can be found at:

[http://egov.oregon.gov/OSP/ID/docs/ISS\\_Fee\\_Review.pdf](http://egov.oregon.gov/OSP/ID/docs/ISS_Fee_Review.pdf)

The purpose of this second notice is to inform you of a series of regional meetings that have been scheduled. You have received this notice because you are a customer of our services, either directly or indirectly. We want to obtain your input and feedback concerning possible impacts of fee supported programs at ISS. The schedule and locations for the meetings are attached to this notice.

To recap the notice we provided in February, the Public Safety Subcommittee of the Ways and Means Committee of the 2009 Oregon Legislature has directed OSP to review the current fees for ISS and report back to the 2011 Legislature the results of the review. The direction was provided via a budget note attached to House Bill 5037, OSP's main budget bill for the 2009–2011 biennium.

The budget note states in part that, "The review must include the estimate of what a specific fee must be to support its share of costs for the total programs." One potential outcome of the review would be that ISS would no longer receive state general fund revenues, but instead rely on fees collected for the many services which are provided.

A copy of the fee review report and range of possible fees can be obtained at:

[http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/ID/fee\\_review.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/ID/fee_review.shtml)

As stated in the first notice, it is important to note that the review is all encompassing and includes, but is not limited to, services utilized and relied upon by local law enforcement, state regulatory agencies, volunteer organizations, local governments, and the general public.

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To comply with the budget note, an internal workgroup was formed, and the following objectives were adopted:

- To ensure ISS continues to support the mission and goals of our customers.
- To review what a specific fee must be if ISS were to become 100% fee supported.
- To ensure cost recovery.
- To determine how fees/funding should be structured based on the overall mandatory services provided.

The Identification Services Section recognizes the importance of informing our customers and business partners, and in doing so, soliciting their input and suggestions. Because the outcome of the review will impact some, if not all, of our customers, your participation and input at a regional meeting of your choice is critical and would be greatly appreciated.

While it's premature to tell what the outcome of the review will be or what a future fee schedule might look like, the ISS is committed to including you in the review process and affording you as much notice as possible prior to the actual implementation of any new or revised fees.

We acknowledge this is a difficult time and that many, if not all, of our partners continue to be challenged by the economic downturn. It is our hope that by collaborating on this review, not only will we be certain that all options are considered but it will also allow us to better communicate in partnership with our customers regarding the potential impacts fee adjustments could have on the services they receive and/or provide.

We appreciate the many comments we received after our first notice. The time taken to provide us with your comments in writing, via email, phone, and in person will become an important part of the record concerning the review process come January of 2011.

If you are unable to attend one of the scheduled regional meetings, you are encouraged to forward any questions or comments to:

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