

**WYOMING LAW ENFORCEMENT
EXTRATERRITORIAL ASSISTANCE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Pine Bluffs Police Department and Laramie County Sheriff's Office

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into on the date the last required signature is affixed hereto, between the following Wyoming law enforcement agencies and their governing bodies: **The Pine Bluffs Police Department, and the Laramie County Sheriff's Office**, all within the State of Wyoming, herein referred to as "party or parties."

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, each of the parties hereto is Wyoming law enforcement agency or its governing body, under Wyoming Statutes, and is therefore authorized to enter into an Intrastate Memorandum of Understanding for the purpose of peace officer extraterritorial assistance under WYO. STAT. § 7-2-106(b); and

WHEREAS, because of responses to emergency or special circumstances may exceed the immediate manpower, skill, and equipment needs of any individual agency, Laramie County, the Pine Bluffs, may need to seek the assistance of each other's law enforcement agency to provide certified peace officers for law enforcement services; and

WHEREAS, the geographical boundaries of the parties to this Agreement are located in the State of Wyoming, as to enable each party to render assistance to the other; and

WHEREAS, the intermixing of county jurisdictions may cause potential confusion as to the actual jurisdiction of each entity's peace officers; and

WHEREAS, peace officers must travel through or be within portions of Laramie County and Pine Bluffs in order to service various areas of their county; and

WHEREAS, the County desire that peace officers perform law enforcement functions and enforce the Wyoming Statutes within those portions of Laramie County and Pine Bluffs as necessary in the interest of public safety and as authorized under Wyoming Statute.

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the limitations of this Memorandum of Understanding and in order to assign peace officers for law enforcement assistance between the parties, it is hereby agreed under and pursuant to WYO. STAT. §§ 7-2-106(b) as follows:

1. Duration of Memorandum of Understanding: This Memorandum of Understanding shall not be effective until it is approved by the public entities and law enforcement agencies, parties hereto, pursuant to WYO. STAT. § 7-2-106(b). This MOU shall be in full force and effect for the period of the date the last required signature is affixed hereto until no later than one month beyond the current term of office of the participating Sheriff and Chief of Police.

2. Purpose - Requested Law Enforcement Assistance: The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to permit the parties to assign specific certified peace officers for law enforcement services within the boundaries of Pine Bluffs and Laramie County, Wyoming and the cities and towns located therein, as requested by Pine Bluffs and Laramie County and as defined by this MOU. The duty to respond to a request of each party under this MOU is discretionary. Each party acknowledges that it has no right to demand of another party that it provide any specific assistance under any circumstances.

3. Party law enforcement agency defined; Request to assign certified peace officers to perform law enforcement duties: “Party law enforcement agency” means a Wyoming municipal, county, or state agency that is responsible for the prevention and detection of crime and enforcement of criminal laws, which is a party to this memorandum of understanding.

a. Permit each Party to assign certified peace officers to the other Party for law enforcement assistance within the jurisdictional boundaries of the County and the Town, as requested by the law enforcement agencies of the Parties. Neither Party has a duty to provide mutual law enforcement assistance under this MOU. Each Party has discretionary authority to decide whether to respond to a request for law enforcement assistance from the other Party and each Party has discretionary authority to determine the nature and extent of its response. In the event a Party agrees to respond to a request from the other Party, the terms and conditions set forth in this MOU shall apply.

b. Authorize the Town of Pine Bluffs Police Department to provide general law enforcement assistance in the unincorporated areas of Laramie County to the extent and manner hereinafter set forth, but in all such instances subject to the direction and control of the Laramie County Sheriff, or his or her designee. For purposes of this MOU, general law enforcement assistance shall consist of responding to, investigating, and enforcing violations of the Wyoming Criminal Code or other Wyoming Statute that the Laramie County Sheriff is authorized to enforce in a manner consistent with the level of performance of peace officers throughout the State of Wyoming. The Town will be authorized to act and otherwise provide general law enforcement assistance in any situation in which a felony, misdemeanor, crime, or other statutory offense has been or is being committed in such Town’s peace officer’s presence, when such Town peace officer is in unincorporated Laramie County due to official law enforcement duties.

c. In all instances where either Party’s peace officers respond to, or handles, a high-risk critical incident (including, but not limited to felony warrant service, active assailant, bomb threat, civil disturbance, etc.) within the boundaries of the other party’s jurisdiction, the responding agency shall notify the agency of jurisdiction as soon as practicable. A Town’s peace officer is providing general law enforcement assistance (as defined in Section 3(a)(ii), above) in those geographic areas of unincorporated Laramie County, the Town shall notify the County of the situation and the County shall be given the option to retain primary jurisdiction in those incidents. In all such instances, the Town’s peace officer shall be subject to the direction and control of the Laramie County Sheriff, or his or her designee. Nothing in this subsection (b) or elsewhere in this MOU shall be construed to limit or otherwise affect the investigatory or law enforcement authority of the County or the Town.

d. Any citation written by a Town peace officer for violations of any Wyoming Statute or law in unincorporated Laramie County shall command the alleged violator to appear before the Circuit Court of the First Judicial District, Laramie County, Wyoming. Town personnel shall be available to appear before the Circuit Court as needed to prosecute each violation. The Town and County shall have full cooperation from the other party's officers, agents, and employees to facilitate the performance of this MOU. Each Party shall give prompt and due consideration to all requests from the other Party regarding delivery of general law enforcement assistance and shall work cooperatively to achieve the assistance called for herein. Such a request may be transmitted in person, by phone, radio, electronic medium, or by a third party. Any reasonable transmittal shall be sufficient to invoke this MOU.

4. Assigned Peace Officer status: For workers' compensation coverage, assigned peace officers shall be deemed joint employees of the assigning and requesting entities, who shall be joint employers, pursuant to WYO. STAT. § 7-2-106(c). All of the privileges and immunities from liability, exemptions from laws, ordinances and rules, and other benefits shall apply to responding personnel to the same degree and extent as it would in their own jurisdiction. Each party will be responsible for the payment of wages and benefits for its employees who provide assistance under this MOU. Each party may seek reimbursement from the other party for actual expenses incurred as a result of providing services pursuant to the terms of this MOU. This MOU does not supersede any negotiated contracts or agreements as to reimbursement or payment for services already in existence.

5. Specification of Certified Peace Officers covered by assignment: Pursuant to WYO. STAT. § 7-2-106(b)(ii), the certified peace officers in good standing with each party agency are covered by assignment under this MOU. (Pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 7-2-106(e), it is prohibited to assign arson investigators, brand inspectors, federal agents, board of outfitters investigators or detention officers under the terms of this memorandum of understanding, unless those specialties are requested).

6. Geographical boundaries of territory covered: Pursuant to WYO. STAT. § 7-2-106(b)(iii), the following general description of the geographical boundaries of territory covered by the assignment is as follows: All of Pine Bluffs and Laramie County, Wyoming.

7. Request for Assistance: Any request for law enforcement intrastate assistance under this MOU should be made by the highest-ranking law enforcement official on duty or on call of the requesting party to the highest-ranking law enforcement official on duty or on call of the responding party at the time the assistance is needed.

8. Response to Request: The party requested to provide assistance should respond to the request as soon as possible, indicate whether services will be provided, and if so, the extent of services that can be provided. If the responding party agrees to provide assistance, it should notify the requesting party as to the equipment and peace officer personnel which will be engaged in the assistance.

9. Command of Equipment and Personnel: The requesting party may have command and direction of the equipment and personnel provided by a responding party, but the responding party always has the authority to immediately withdraw any equipment or personnel provided under this MOU without regard as to whether a request for assistance continues to exist. When the assistance is no longer needed, the requesting party shall release its command and direct that all equipment and personnel be returned to the responding party.

10. Standard of Conduct: Each peace officer providing assistance shall maintain the standards of professional conduct as required in the State of Wyoming. However, the requesting entity may request that a particular officer be removed from any circumstance, or the jurisdiction and the responding entity will honor such request as soon as practicable.

11. Responsibilities of Requesting Party: Each requesting party will advise responding officers of administrative and procedural requirements within the jurisdiction of the assignment.

12. Liability: Each party shall assume responsibility for any liability resulting from any of the acts of its employees provided under this MOU. The Wyoming Governmental Claims Act and Wyoming Self Insurance Program will remain applicable for Wyoming peace officer purposes. Each party to this MOU agrees to bear its own risk of loss during the assignment of peace officers. No party agrees to indemnify or defend any other party to this agreement. By entering into this MOU neither party waives or gives up any immunity it may have pursuant to the laws of the State of Wyoming and the United States.

13. Pre-Incident Planning: The commanding officers of the parties may from time to time mutually establish pre-incident plans which shall indicate the type and locations of potential problems where assistance may be needed. This MOU may be supplemented by schedules and lists of types of equipment and peace officers that would be dispatched under various possible circumstances and the number of peace officers that would be dispatched under certain circumstances. In addition, the parties may engage in mutual training sessions to ensure the efficient operation of this MOU. The parties agree to take such steps as are feasible to standardize the equipment and procedures used to provide assistance under this MOU.

14. Signatures: The parties to this MOU through their duly authorized representatives have executed this MOU on the days and dates set out below, and certify that they have read, understood, and agreed to the terms and conditions of this MOU.

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The effective date of this Memorandum of Understanding is the date of the signature last affixed to this page.

Brian Kozak



SHERIFF, Laramie County, Wyoming

5-12-2026

Date

FOR LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING

Gunnar Malm
Chairman, Board of Commissioners
Laramie County, Wyoming

Date

Attest: _____
Debra Lee
Laramie County Clerk

Austin Smith

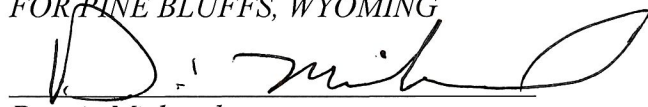


Chief of Police, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming

04/22/2026

Date

FOR PINE BLUFFS, WYOMING



Dennis Michaud
Mayor
Pine Bluffs, Wyoming

Date

April 22nd, 2026

Attest: _____
Leanne Person
Pine Bluffs Clerk

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DEPUTY LARAMIE COUNTY
ATTORNEY

