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Re: ***Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order: Oregon State University Extension Service Records***

Dear Mr. Atkins:

This is the Attorney General's order on your petition for disclosure of records under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.410 to 192.505. Your petition, which we received on January 24, 1996, asks the Attorney General to direct the Oregon State University (OSU) Extension Service to provide certain Josephine County 4-H Records. For the reasons that follow, we respectfully deny your petition.

The Attorney General may order a state agency to disclose records only when the agency has denied a request for the records. ORS 192.450(1). In this case, Mike Gamroth, Associate Director of the OSU Extension Service informs us that on January 25, 1996, he responded to your request by providing the records requested.

Because the OSU Extension Service has not denied your request, and has provided the requested records, the Attorney General has no authority to order disclosure. Accordingly, your petition is denied as moot.

Sincerely,

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