



# Latah County Sheriff's Office Moscow Police Department



## Media Release

To: All Media Outlets  
From: Jennifer McFarland  
Public Information Officer  
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RE: Needs Assessment Funded

On 5/31/2006 the Latah County Board of County Commissioners and Moscow Mayor Nancy Chaney signed their joint approval for the Latah County Sheriff's Office and Moscow Police Department to proceed to the next step in our progress toward a joint law enforcement center. The Latah County BOCC and City of Moscow jointly and evenly funded the cost for a needs assessment to be conducted by the Lombard-Conrad Architects, P.A., out of Boise, and Rocky Mountain Corrections. The needs assessment will determine what size of structure and amenities would be needed in a joint facility based on projections for community growth, changing federal jail regulations, statutory changes, and law enforcement needs. The main goal for a joint facility is to save tax payers money by consolidating duplicated service sectors currently independently housed in both agencies. After the needs assessment is complete, the results will be presented to the BOCC, City of Moscow, and the citizens for an expanded discussion.

Both the Sheriff's Office and the Moscow Police Department are excited about this progress and invite you to share your opinions and thoughts on the prospect of a joint facility. We also encourage you to visit us at our respective offices for a tour of our present facilities. To make an appointment to view the Sheriff's Office, call PIO Jennifer McFarland at (208) 892-5664. To make an appointment to view the Moscow Police Department, contact Assistant Chief David Duke at (208) 883-7054.