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John Stevens
RanchMattersCRR
5638 SW Shad Road
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David Strangland
RanchMattersCRR
SENT IN CARE OF JOHN STEVENS

Dear Mr. Stevens and Mr. Strangland:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 6, 2017 in which you ask me to order, pursuant to Oregon's Public Records Law, the Crooked River Ranch Special Road District to disclose for inspection and copying all of the records you requested from the Ranch on September 25, 2017 and September 30, 2017.

I do not have jurisdiction of this matter. Depending on whether an elected official of the Ranch Special Road District denied your request, jurisdiction rests either with the Jefferson County Circuit Court or the Jefferson County District Attorney.

If John Williams, or any other elected official of the Road District, denied your request the proper venue for your appeal is the Jefferson County Circuit Court (see ORS 192.480).

If a staff member of the Ranch Road District (as opposed to an elected official) denied your request, jurisdiction rests with the Jefferson County District Attorney due to the fact that the administrative offices of the Ranch Road District are located in Jefferson County. (See: ORS 192.460(1)(a): "The district attorney of the county in which the public body is located, or if it is located in more than one county the district attorney of the county in which the administrative offices of the public body are located shall carry out the functions of the Attorney General.").

I have closed out this appeal and will take no further action on it.

Sincerely,

John Hummel
District Attorney

cc: Steve Leriche, Jefferson County District Attorney