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Grand Jury

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Presiding Judge Ginger Garrett
Superior Court of California
1035 Palm Street, Room 355
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408-1000

Dear Judge Garrett,

I have received the 2018-2019 San Luis Obispo County Grand Jury reported titled "Inspection Report for San Luis Obispo County Law Enforcement and Detention Facilities" and have prepared the following response to the recommendation.

Response to Recommendation R6: *Crime Lab should provide the same training to city law enforcement agencies for handling DNA evidence as they do for Sheriff Deputies.*

The recommendation requires further analysis. The San Luis Obispo Police Department could benefit from additional training on the preservation and collection of DNA evidence. I welcome the assistance of the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office and County Crime Lab in developing this training, but we do need to discuss this with the Sheriff's Office to work out the logistics on providing such training. We will need to identify the course outline and duration, the training costs, and ensure that the training does not conflict with Department policies and California Peace Officer Standards and Training requirements. We look forward to working with our San Luis Obispo County Law Enforcement partners on accomplishing this recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Cantrell".

Deanna Cantrell
Chief of Police