



Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training

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Subject: Pilot Program for the Problem-Based Learning/Police Training Officer Model
Extended to April 1, 2007

At its January 2006 meeting, the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) extended the pilot test of the Problem-Based Learning/Police Training Officer Model (PBL/PTO) until April 1, 2007, and approved ten more agencies as part of the program.

Because implementation of the PBL/PTO will create a paradigm shift and cultural change for field training, POST recommends that interested agencies carefully research the model. This includes reviewing resources such as Internet sites, schools, and colleges that utilize this training method, and contacting police agencies that have already implemented this model. The seven California law enforcement agencies that originally joined the pilot test have reported a great deal of success with the program.

To request approval to participate in this program, contact the Basic Training Bureau at 916.227.4252 to receive a PBL/PTO implementation package. The package contains an in-depth description of the program and the pilot process, a PTO Pre-Pilot Survey, an Agency Self-Assessment, and instructions for requesting participation.

Mail your application package, postmarked by **May 4, 2006**, to POST at:

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POST will review the completed application package, will conduct a selection process, and will notify the requesting agency of the outcome. If approved for participation, the agency will need to assign a liaison who will coordinate the agency's activities with POST and the PTO Council throughout the pilot (2007).

If you have any questions related to the pilot or pilot process, contact Senior Consultant Richard Bond, Basic Training Bureau, at 916.227.3935 or by email at rbond@post.ca.gov.

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