



## Application for Financial Aid -- 801 Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Agency Tulare County Sheriff's Office

County Tulare

Address 833 S Akers Street, Visalia CA 93277

**General Description of Boating Safety and Enforcement Programs:**

*(Give a comprehensive description of all programs in the County. If more space is needed, please attach a separate sheet).*

Waterways to be Patrolled					Estimated Density by Quarter <sup>a/</sup>			
Lakes, Open Ocean	Area in Square Miles	Primary Usage <sup>b/</sup>	Type(s) of Patrols <sup>c/</sup>	FT or PT <sup>d/</sup>	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
1. Kaweah Lake	3	B	C	FT	195	29	53	175
2. Success Lake	4	B	C	FT	115	17	6	123
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Rivers	Length in Miles	Primary Usage <sup>b/</sup>	Type(s) of Patrols <sup>c/</sup>	FT or PT <sup>d/</sup>	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
1. Kings River	6.2	B	C	PT	220			40
2. Kern River	18	A	C	PT	Commercial/Recreational Rafting & Kayakin			
3. Kaweah River	19	A	C	PT	Commercial/Recreational Rafting & Kayakin			
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a/ Enter the highest number of boats on the waterway at any one time on any one day in each quarter, excluding holidays and holiday weekends.  
 b/ A = Fishing; B = Combined recreational boating activities (fishing, water skiing, pleasure boating, etc.)  
 c/ On-water, foot, truck/vehicle, and/or air  
 d/ FT = Full-time; PT = Part-time. If less than full-time, specify patrol schedule on a separate sheet.



**Boating Safety and Enforcement Aid Program  
Proposed Program Costs -- 801.1  
Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

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**Proposed Program Costs**

1. Personnel (Form 801.2)	\$1,612,049.46
2. Operations, Maintenance and Equipment (Form 801.3) <sup>a/</sup>	\$144,070.08
3. Total direct BS&E proposed program cost (2+3)	\$1,756,119.54
4. Administrative costs <sup>b/</sup>	
5. Total BS&E proposed program costs (3+4)	\$1,756,119.54
6. Less: Boat Taxes (Form 801.4)	\$40,786.00
7. Total Net Proposed Program Cost (5-6)	\$1,715,333.54

a/ New applicant agencies should use 30% of personnel costs to estimate operations, maintenance and equipment costs in lieu of form 801.3.

b/ Administrative costs cannot exceed five percent of direct BS&E proposed program cost (line 3).

*County Authorized Representative:*

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Larry Micari - Board of Supervisors, Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
TYPED NAME AND TITLE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

(559)636-5000

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TELEPHONE



**Boating Safety and Enforcement Aid Program  
Proposed Personnel Costs -- 801.2  
Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

Agency Tulare County Sheriff's office

County Tulare

**Proposed Personnel Costs**

**Employee Compensation**

	Title (NO NAMES)	Grade	No. Hours or Months	Pay per Hour or Month	Total Compensation
1.	Sheriff's Deputy II - Positon 10312	5	2,080.00	\$46.85	\$97,456.32
2.	Sheriff's Deputy II - Positon 10313	5	2,080.00	\$42.41	\$88,221.12
3.	Sheriff's Deputy II - Positon 10314	5	2,080.00	\$42.41	\$88,221.12
4.	Sheriff's Deputy II - Positon 10315	5	2,080.00	\$42.41	\$88,221.12
5.	Sheriff's Deputy II - Positon 10439	5	2,080.00	\$42.41	\$88,221.12
6.	Sheriff's Deputy II - Positon 10440	5	2,080.00	\$46.85	\$97,456.32
7.	Sheriff's Deputy II - Positon 10530	5	2,080.00	\$49.20	\$102,329.76
8.	Sheriff's Deputy II - Positon 10531	5	2,080.00	\$49.20	\$102,329.76
9.	Sheriff's Sergeant - Position 03971	5	2,080.00	\$55.78	\$116,018.24
10.	1 Deputy II Seasonal - River @ 32%	5	666.00	\$46.83	\$31,186.12
11.	1 Deputy II Seasonal - River @ 32%	5	666.00	\$49.17	\$32,745.89
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21.	<b>Total</b>		<b>20,052.00</b>		<b>\$932,406.89</b>

22. Average Customary Fringe Benefit Percent 72.8912%

23. Total Proposed Personnel Costs \$1,612,049.46



## Boating Safety and Enforcement Aid Program

### Proposed Operations, Maintenance and Equipment Costs -- 801.3

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Agency	<u>2025-2026</u>	County	<u>Tulare</u>
<i>Patrol Vessels:</i>	Fuel <u>\$20,000.00</u> + Repair <u>\$20,000.00</u> + Storage <u>\$13,000.00</u> = \$		<u>53,000.00</u>
<i>Vehicles:</i>	Miles <u>61,224</u>	Mileage Allowance <u>0.67</u> =	<u>41,020.08</u>
LIST OTHER O&M AND EQUIPMENT			
1. Radio Communication			\$ <u>13,000.00</u>
2. Miscellaneous Equipment			\$ <u>-</u>
3. Training			\$ <u>20,000.00</u>
4. Transportation & Travel			\$ <u>10,000.00</u>
5. Cell Phones			\$ <u>4,050.00</u>
6. Miscellaneous Boating Supplies			\$ <u>3,000.00</u>
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25.			\$ <u></u>
<b>Total</b>			\$ <u><u>144,070.08</u></u>



### Fiscal Year 2025-26

Agency County of Tulare  
 County Tulare

Total estimated costs are offset by the estimated prior year vessel taxes received by the county to determine the maximum amount of financial aid you are eligible for. Vessel taxes received by the county represent 100% of the amount received by the county from the share of personal property taxes on vessels allocated to the County General Fund for boating safety and enforcement activities. Report on line 1 the estimated amount of prior year vessel taxes you anticipate you will receive.

**1. Estimated boat tax revenues from prior fiscal year** **\$ 40,786.00**

#### C e r t i f i c a t i o n

I attest that I am a duly authorized representative of the auditor's office of  
Tulare county/city;  
 and that this calculation results in the best estimate of boat tax revenues  
 for the fiscal year noted.

  
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 SIGNATURE

October 2, 2024  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE

Cass Cook Auditor/Controller-Treasurer/Tax Collector  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 TYPED NAME AND TITLE

(559) 636-5280  
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 TELEPHONE

**Summary of Estimated Boat Property Tax Revenues**

Year	Assessed Values	County GF AB8 Factor	Est. Revenue		Growth %	Estimated AVs
						28,033,368 use 24/25 growth % 36,032,892 year begin value
24/25	36,032,892	0.14549117	40,786	estimate	-0.222006	
23/24	46,315,138	0.14549117	67,384	actual	0.205461	
22/23	38,421,111	0.14586209	56,042	actual	0.467563	
21/22	26,180,204	0.14642300	38,334	actual	0.273452	
20/21	20,558,460	0.14659300	30,137	actual	-0.198766	
19/20	25,658,490	0.14689200	37,690	actual	-0.135670	
18/19	29,685,994	0.14808300	43,960	actual	-0.075998	
17/18	32,127,641	0.14817200	47,604	actual	-0.020935	In the new year:
16/17	32,814,602	0.14743800	48,381	actual	-0.008545	1. update column B with the year end
15/16	33,097,435	0.14776100	48,905	actual	0.011557	assessed value for the just completed year
14/15	32,719,303	0.14652700	47,943	actual	0.003792	2. Change the formula in column D
13/14	32,595,693	0.14670500	47,820	actual	-0.031535	3. Add the Year begin value for the new
12/13	33,657,061	0.14621500	49,212	actual	0.027940	year in column B and Column G
11/12	32,742,231	0.14546100	47,627	actual	0.041313	4. add estimate formula for column D
10/11	31,443,210	0.14522300	45,663	actual	-0.193960	
09/10	39,009,467	0.14472000	56,455	actual	-0.068202	
08/09	41,864,719	0.14468200	60,571	actual	0.090928	
07/08	38,375,318	0.14551400	55,841	actual	0.044540	
06/07	36,738,980	0.14729500	54,115	actual	0.060639	
05/06	34,638,524	0.14909800	51,645	actual	0.107141	
04/05	31,286,470	0.14985400	46,884	actual	0.067005	
03/04	29,321,765	0.15020700	44,043	actual	0.095789	
02/03	26,758,595	0.15088100	40,374	actual	0.061461	
01/02	25,209,207	0.15229100	38,391	actual	-0.138483	
00/01	29,261,430	0.15310800	44,802	actual	0.031155	w/04/13/01 values
99/00	28,377,340	0.15319600	43,473	actual	0.043413	
98/99	27,196,645	0.15393400	41,865	actual	0.055065	
97/98	25,777,221	0.15460700	39,853	actual	0.006479	
96/97	25,611,275	0.15426300	39,509	actual	0.102033	
95/96	23,240,036	0.16429800	38,183	actual	0.144050	
94/95	20,313,822	0.16448700	33,414	actual	0.121581	
93/94	18,111,777	0.16500000	29,884	actual	0.115169	ERAF shift begins
92/93	16,241,289	0.32000000	51,972		0.146624	
91/92	14,164,445	0.37181120	52,665		0.111254	
90/91	12,746,362	0.37352709	47,611		-0.003155	
89/90	12,786,705	0.38881586	49,717		0.140106	
88/89	11,215,362	0.37388348	41,932		0.148691	
87/88	9,763,603	0.37657850	36,768		0.156166	
86/87	8,444,810	0.37666908	31,809		0.271850	
85/86	6,639,783	0.38614016	25,639		0.080877	
84/85	6,142,960	0.38704401	23,776			

## **Program Narrative:**

### FY 25/26 Boating Safety & Enforcement Aid Program

#### Tulare County Sheriff's Office Boating Safety Enforcement Unit/ Program of Operation

The Tulare County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) Boating Safety Enforcement Unit (BSEU) will operate as the primary law enforcement unit responsible for enforcing all related Harbor and Navigation Codes, Penal Codes, Vehicle Codes and County Ordinances throughout all navigable waterways within the County of Tulare. During normal daily operations, BSEU crews will conduct vessel and equipment safety inspections at the boat ramp prior to launch or while on the water during vessel stops. The crew will educate the public on safe vessel operation, registration requirements and how to properly maintain safety equipment: Deputies will reserve the option to issue a verbal warning or the issuance of citations. BSEU utilizes various Cal Boating Law Enforcement training programs and the 30+ years of the Sheriff's boating enforcement experience to provide direct prevention and education to the public.

BSEU crews will provide safe boating education and demonstrations at Lake Kaweah and Lake Success throughout the boating season (May through September).

Demonstrations will include the following:

1. Rules of the waterways
2. Operational law
3. Required safety equipment
4. Emergency and accident procedures
5. Boating Under the Influence (BUI) education.

To keep the public safe throughout holiday weekends, (Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day) additional law enforcement personnel will be present on the water and within the vicinity of the lakes. BSEU will investigate all boating accidents and water-related accidents occurring on both lakes, or in the vicinity of the lakes, along with the Kings, Kern and Kaweah Rivers.

BSEU consists of one (1) Lieutenant, (1) Sergeant, and eight (8) Deputies. Throughout the season BSEU personnel will operate during the peak days and hours; Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, 10-hour shifts. The boating season will run from May thru September. The Kings River will be patrolled during the peak months depending on the flow of the river. In addition, BSEU personnel will cover any mid-week holidays or special events outside the regular four-day work week on an as-needed basis and will be available for off-hour call outs. The vessels used for patrol purposes will be clearly marked as Sheriff Patrol vessels equipped with emergency lights and sirens.

Patrols of the Kern, Kaweah, and Kings Rivers are done on a seasonal basis. The Kings River patrol schedule is dependent on the water levels: Typically, BSEU crews patrol the Kings River May through September if water conditions are safe to allow motorized vessels. The river conditions are carefully reviewed by the Kings River Water

Association and TCSO to ensure the safety of the public. The Kings River is used for a variety of recreational activities including, fishing, waterskiing, pleasure boating, and other water-related activities.

The Kern River is primarily used for commercial and recreational fishing, white-water rafting and kayaking. The river cannot accommodate motorized vessels; therefore, all patrols are conducted on foot and/or in motor vehicles. The Kern River is patrolled by two (2) resident Deputies: 10 hours per day, seven days a week when conditions permit. The Deputies provide additional law enforcement presence the months of May through September which are considered peak months for recreational activity. In addition, TCSO increases SAR/SDRT personnel during the summer holiday weekends to educate the public about river safety and for immediate response for incidents along the Kern River.

The Kaweah River is primarily used for commercial and recreational fishing, white-water rafting, and kayaking. The river cannot accommodate motorized vessels. The months of June through September are considered peak months where river patrols and river-specific calls for service are the primary duty of one (1) stationed resident Deputy.

The lakes and rivers are visited by thousands of recreationalists throughout the season, with an average of over 200 to 250 vessels on all three (Lake Kaweah, Lake Success and Kings River) waterways daily. The reservoir, created behind Terminus Dam on the Kaweah River, covers 1,945 acres of water when full. Whereas, Lake Success covers an area of 2,450 acres when the lake is at full capacity.

BSEU will render aide (within the scope of their training and available equipment) to any boating accident, drowning or other major incident on the lake or within the lake vicinity. In addition, BSEU personnel will assist stranded vessels, investigate vessel accidents, and assist SDRT waterborne search and recovery operation year-round. All BSEU operators will be cross trained as Dive Rescue 1 topside tenders in support of subsurface search and recovery operations. BSEU personnel will train once a week on maneuvers and various equipment such as a side-scan sonar and remote operated vehicles (ROV).

BSEU will investigate and submit all required reports to the following involved agencies, Cal Boating, Army Corps of Engineers and the District Attorney's Office. BSEU along with SAR/SDRT, will respond to CalOES Mutual Aid requests throughout the state to assist with other agencies with emergency assistance, waterborne search and recovery operations, and training. To ensure the safety of Tulare County's lakes year-round, including during the off-seasons, TCSO personnel will patrol the areas around Lake Success and Lake Kaweah, and BSEU personnel will respond to vessel-related calls.