



Sheriff/Coroner

COUNTY OF TULARE

AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE: May 2, 2023– REVISED

Public Hearing Required	N/A
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	N/A
Published Notice Required	N/A
Advertised Published Notice	N/A
Meet & Confer Required	N/A
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	N/A
Personnel Resolution attached	N/A
Agreement(s) attached	Yes

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SUBJECT: Approve an Agreement for Financial Aid from the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an Agreement for financial aid from the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways for Fiscal Year 2023/24 in the amount not to exceed \$256,932 for the period of July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024;
2. Agree that financial aid program funds received from the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways will be used by the County and will be expended for boating safety programs during that year, not less than an amount equal to 100 percent of the amount received by the county from personal property taxes on vessels. The money allocated to a county pursuant to Harbors & Navigation Code section 663.7 subdivision (a) shall be used only for boating safety and enforcement programs, as specified in subdivision (a), that are conducted in that county;
3. Authorize the County Auditor to certify the amount of prior year vessel taxes received by the County;
4. Authorize the Sheriff or their designee to sign the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways Financial Aid Program reimbursement claims; and
5. Authorize the Chair of the Board to sign the Agreement.

SUBJECT: Approve an Agreement for Financial Aid from the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways

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SUMMARY:

On December 13, 2022, the Board authorized the submission of an application for financial aid from the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways Financial Aid Program, Resolution No, 2022-1132. The program provides an opportunity for the Tulare County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) to receive partial reimbursement related to costs associated with the Boating and Safety Enforcement Unit (BSEU) to provide patrol services at local waterways. In Tulare County, these waterways include Lakes Success and Kaweah, along with seasonal coverage of portions of the County's river system. The state subsidy covers a portion of the county's costs to provide these marine patrol services. Many of the obligations and details of the program are outlined in the attached California Code of Regulations, Title 14 § 6593.

Participation in this Financial Aid Program must be approved by the Board of Supervisors prior to the release of funding from the California State Parks Department of Boating and Waterways. TCSO requests that the Board approve an agreement for this subsidy to Tulare County for Fiscal Year 2023/24 (July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024).

This Agreement deviates substantively from the County's standard boilerplate in the following ways: 1) The County signs the agreement first; 2) The County must continue services in the case of a dispute; and 3) Department may only terminate this agreement without cause upon sixty (60) days written notice served upon the Agency.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The total operating expenses for the BSEU are estimated at \$1,458,897 for Fiscal Year 2022/23. The BSEU program revenues will consist of the state subsidy of \$256,932 for Fiscal Year 2022/23. The remaining total net estimated BSEU program costs will be covered by the Sheriff's Office operating budget for Fiscal Year 2023/24. There is no additional net County cost to the General Fund.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Safety and Security Initiative. The acceptance of this financial aid award will assist in funding the Sheriff's Office Boating and Safety Enforcement Unit which helps fulfill this initiative by ensuring Deputies have the necessary resources to patrol the County waterways.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

/s/ Undersheriff Tom Sigley
Mike Boudreaux
Sheriff-Coroner

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment A – Financial Aid Award Agreement
Attachment B – California Code of Regulations Sections 6593-6593.10