



**County Administrative  
Office  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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**AGENDA DATE:** March 17, 2015

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Jean M. Rousseau    PHONE: 559-636-5005				

**SUBJECT:** Ratify a Letter Requesting an Extension to Accept Conditional Award of SB 1022 Jail Construction Funds

**REQUEST(S):**  
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify the signature of the County Administrative Officer on a letter signed requesting an extension from the California Board of State and Community Corrections to accept the conditional, partial award of SB 1022 funds through September 30, 2015.

**SUMMARY:**  
The County of Tulare has received a conditional award of \$33,352,000 from the State of California for the construction of the Sequoia Field Program Facility through SB 1022 jail construction funds. These funds would construct a 388-bed detention facility with significant programming space, as well as necessary administration and support space. The County was originally awarded \$40 million for this project, but the award was reduced due to an appeal from another county.

On August 12, 2014, staff made a presentation to your Board regarding possible funds to restore the original amount of \$40 million. At that time, Tehama County was relinquishing their SB 1022 jail construction funds back to the BSCC. Tehama County has since rescinded their decision to send that award back to the BSCC; therefore, those funds are no longer available. Since that time, there have been additional shifts in funding from other Counties, including Amador County relinquishing their AB 900 Phase I funds.

At this time, the State of California has not officially indicated how they are going to

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reallocate any of the available jail construction funds to other Counties. The County would still desire to receive our original full award of \$40 million from any available funds in order to construct the project as originally scoped. Additionally, BSCC staff has indicated that, should the County's award remain at the \$33.3 million amount, the County would be able to reduce the scope of the project to accommodate the reduced funding amount. Staff is not currently prepared to make a recommendation in regards to reducing the project scope.

Staff is, therefore, recommending that your Board submit a request to extend the County's acceptance of the conditional, partial award of \$33.3 million in SB 1022 funds until September 30, 2015. This extension will allow the County to work with the State to seek additional funds, and determine what reductions in scope would be recommended, should the award remain at the current amount.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

As outlined above, the County was originally awarded our requested amount of \$40 million. This was subsequently reduced to a tentative award of \$33,352,000. At this time, staff recommends that the County pursue funds to restore our awarded amount and postpone the decision to accept the reduced amount until such time as the actions described above have transpired.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County of Tulare Strategic Business Plan contains a Safety and Security Initiative. The initiative directs County government to actively work in 11 broad areas to provide for the safety and security of the public. The new detention facility and day reporting center will significantly contribute to three of these areas: 1) effectively and fairly investigate, arrest, prosecute, and punish individuals who engage in criminal behaviors; 2) provide adequate facilities for protection of the public; and 3) provide facilities and resources for training and rehabilitation of criminal offenders.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

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Jean M. Rousseau  
County Administrative Officer

Cc: Auditor-Controller  
County Counsel  
County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment(s)

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF RATIFYING A LETTER )  
REQUESTING AN EXTENSION TO ) Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
ACCEPT CONDITIONAL AWARD OF )  
SB 1022 JAIL CONSTRUCTION FUNDS )

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JEAN M. ROUSSEAU  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

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1. Ratified the signature of the County Administrative Officer on a letter signed requesting an extension from the California Board of State and Community Corrections to accept the conditional, partial award of SB 1022 funds through September 30, 2015.

March 4, 2015

Michael Scott, Project Director  
Facilities Standards and Operations Division  
Board of State and Community Corrections  
600 Bercut Drive  
Sacramento, CA 95811

Re: Request for Extension to accept SB 1022 Award

Mr. Scott,

The County of Tulare would like to express our gratitude to the SB 1022 Executive Steering Committee and the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) for the conditional award of \$33,352,000 to construct our Sequoia Field Program Facility. These funds will be utilized to construct a much-needed facility with extensive programming space. As you know, the County's original application was approved by the BSCC in the amount of \$40 million, and was subsequently reduced by \$6,648,000 to its current partial award.

The current partial award is approximately 83% of the total funds necessary to construct the project as described in the County's application for financing. This financial reduction necessitates a significant reduction in the scope of the project, which consequently reduces the impact the project will have on the County's law enforcement and programming efforts.

On September 9, 2014, our Board of Supervisors requested that the BSCC allocate funds relinquished from other jail construction projects to our project; the County also requested an extension through April 30, 2015 to allow for an allocation decision to be made by the State of California. This extension was approved by the BSCC on September 11, 2014.

At this time, the County has not received information regarding the reallocation of funds to our project. Additionally, the County is not prepared to identify the scope reductions that will be necessary if the County's award is not restored to the full \$40 million. Therefore, the County would like to request an extension to accept the conditional award until the September 17, 2015 BSCC Board Meeting in order to fully evaluate the optimum method of reducing the scope while preserving the most critical elements of the future facility in the event the County's full award is not restored.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter, should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jean M. Rousseau  
County Administrative Officer