



**Sheriff's Office
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

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AGENDA DATE: May 22, 2018

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

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SUBJECT: Approve a Memorandum of Understanding for the Central Valley Regional Bomb Squad with participating agencies.

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding for the Central Valley Regional Bomb Squad with participating agencies effective the date of last signature and ongoing until terminated, for the purpose of forming a cooperative partnership between the agencies to facilitate safe and efficient responses to incidents concerning any explosive ordnance.
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign four copies of the Memorandum of Understanding.

SUMMARY:

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Tulare County Sheriff's Office, Visalia Police Department, and Kings County Sheriff's Office for the Central Valley Regional Bomb Squad (Bomb Squad) provides that these agencies will work in partnership to handle incidents involving explosives and enforce the laws dealing with explosive devices. Because considerable financial savings are possible through combining assets, it is recognized that the establishment of a Bomb Squad through this MOU would be beneficial to Tulare County, Kings County, and the City of Visalia. The Bomb Squad will also remain a mutual aid asset to Region 5 and the State of California.

The Bomb Squad will be comprised of a Bomb Unit from each agency. Duties shall include but are not limited to: the identification, examination, and rendering safe of

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suspected and actual explosive devices; transportation, storage, and destruction of explosives and other explosive material; examination and collection of evidence at the scenes of explosive incidents; investigation of illegal explosives and post-blast scenes; provision of technical advice and expert testimony during investigation and prosecution of cases involving explosives; training of personnel within public and private industries in bomb threat procedures; preparation of required reports to local, state and federal agencies; and maintenance of necessary training and equipment to provide these services.

All members of the Bomb Squad shall abide by the applicable policies and procedures of their respective agencies and other state and federal agencies. The lead agency, as recognized by the FBI, will be the Visalia Police Department. Whoever possesses the most years of service as a certified bomb technician within the Agencies shall be designated the Bomb Squad Commander. A minimum of two certified bomb technicians will respond to any given call and the Agency having primary jurisdiction at the explosive incident will complete any necessary reports dealing with the incident. Any other assisting Agency may submit necessary reports as outlined in its operational policies.

Bomb Squad equipment will be purchased with awarded grant funds and such equipment will be jointly owned by all Agencies. The technicians will share specialized bomb-disposal equipment from each agency, as necessary. This collaborative approach will thus increase efficiency and expertise at each incident. In case this MOU terminates, each agency shall retain the equipment belonging to it and equipment belonging to the Bomb Squad shall be divided equally among the agencies.

The substantive deviations from the standard County boilerplate include: 1) the term is multiple years, 2) the MOU includes a mutual indemnification clause, 3) any party may terminate without cause with 6 months' notice, 4) any party may terminate due to inability to continue to participate by giving 30 days written notice, and may terminate immediately by giving verbal notice, with written notice to follow, in cases of emergency, and 5) the County will sign first.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

Each Agency will incur and maintain the salary, worker's compensation coverage, benefits, and upkeep of its own personnel and other necessary individual equipment, uniforms, and annual explosives related to training. Agencies shall share the cost of replacing worn-out or outdated bomb disposal equipment. Funds for our Agency are included in the Sheriff's Office Fiscal Year 2018/2019.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Safety and Security Initiative to plan and provide coordinated emergency preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation capabilities for both natural and man-made disasters. This Memorandum of Understanding will help fulfill this initiative by establishing a partnership between

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agencies to handle incidents involving explosives and facilitate a safe and efficient response consequently improving the safety of the public.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Mike Boudreaux
Sheriff-Coroner

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

Attachment: MOU for the Central Valley Regional Bomb Squad.

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE A)
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING) Resolution No. _____
FOR THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGIONAL) Agreement No. _____
BOMB SQUAD WITH PARTICIPATING)
AGENCIES)

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: MICHEAL C. SPATA
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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