



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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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District Two

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District Three

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District Four

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District Five

AGENDA DATE: July 22, 2008

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s) Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>						

CONTACT PERSON: Terrie Saenz, ASO II PHONE: 733-6245 Ext 6520

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Additional Funding from United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), for Marijuana Eradication

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and approve an Amendment to Agreement 23458 with United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), retroactive to January 1, 2008, and extending through December 31, 2008, in the amount of \$10,000.
2. Accept additional funding of \$10,000 from the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), for marijuana eradication.
3. Find that the Board had authority to enter into the proposed Amendment to the Agreement as of January 1, 2008 and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the Agreement on that date.
4. Authorize the Chairman of the Board's signature on three copies of the Amendment to the Agreement.

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SUMMARY:

On March 25, 2008, your Board approved an Agreement with United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for \$175,000 for marijuana eradication. This amendment to the agreement provides \$10,000 additional funding for the Sheriff's Tactical Enforcement Personnel Unit (STEP) to provide eradication of illegal marijuana. Other activities include Sheriff's personnel to gather and report intelligence data relating to the illegal possession and distribution of marijuana and to investigate and report instances involving the trafficking of controlled substances within Tulare County.

The funds are intended for payment of overtime for Sheriff's deputies' while actively engaged in the marijuana eradication process, as well as, rental of equipment, fuel for vehicles and aircraft.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

DEA funding for marijuana eradication and suppression funds for 2008 calendar year is now at \$185,000. Funds are included in the Sheriff Department's 2008/2009 operating budget. There is no net County cost.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Safety and Security Initiative to effectively and fairly investigate arrest, prosecute and punish individuals who engage in criminal behaviors. The Amendment to the Agreement will help fulfill this initiative by locating and eradicating illegal marijuana plants and in the investigation and prosecution of cases.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to approve this Agreement, but that is not recommended because without the efforts of the DEA funding, marijuana cultivation would continue to increase causing public and environmental safety hazards.

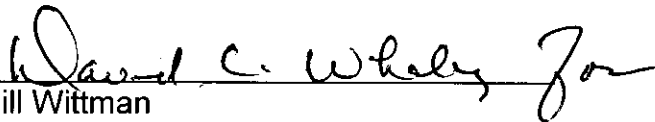
INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

County Counsel has approved the Amendment to the Agreement as to form.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Bill Wittman
Sheriff-Coroner

Cc: Auditor/Controller
County Counsel
County Administrative Office (3)

Attachment - Amendment to Agreement 23458 with United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

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

**IN THE MATTER OF Acceptance of Additional)
Funding from United States Department of)
Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA),)
for Marijuana Eradication)**

**RESOLUTION NO. _____
AGREEMENT NO. _____**

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 ROUSSEAU
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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