



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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: November 10, 2009

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"/>						

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SUBJECT: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Tulare County Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Tulare County Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), effective from the date of the last signature by the authorized representative of the parties.
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three copies of the Memorandum of Understanding.

SUMMARY:

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) provides an interagency agreement governing the access and utilization of the Internet-based eTrace system. The password-protected system is a service for law enforcement by the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). It allows for a secure exchange of data of guns used in crimes. This MOU will allow the Sheriff's Department to obtain firearm information for use in identifying potential illegal firearms traffickers, and to supplement the analysis of crime gun trends and trafficking patterns. Information acquired through the firearm tracing process will be

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utilized to solve individual cases.

The MOU shall be effective from the date of the last signature by the authorized representative of the parties and shall remain in effect unless terminated in writing by either party. As this is a federal agreement, we would like to bring to the Board's attention that this MOU deviates from the County's Contract Protocol.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The MOU delineates ATF and Sheriff Department responsibilities only. The MOU formalizes a partnership between the participating agency with regard to policy and procedures relative to the access and utilization of eTrace services. There will be 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 MOU will support the Initiative by obtaining firearm information for use in identifying potential illegal firearms traffickers, and to supplement the analysis of crime gun trends and trafficking patterns.

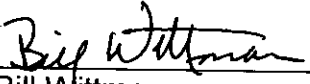
ALTERNATIVES:

N/A.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

County Counsel has approved the Memorandum of Understanding as to form.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Bill Wittman
Sheriff-Coroner

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

Attachment: Memorandum of Understanding with Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)

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

**IN THE MATTER OF Memorandum of)
Understanding (MOU) between Tulare)
County Sheriff's Department and the)
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms)
and Explosives)**

**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 M. ROUSSEAU
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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