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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Jan Donovan for Gary Simpson - Sheriff-Coroner
Sheriff
REPORT BY: Jan Donovan, Sheriff's Administrative Manager, 259-8674
SUBJECT: Disbribution of Asset Forfeiture Funds

RECOMMENDATION

Napa Special Investigations Bureau (NSIB) Governing Board requests approval of the following distribution totalling \$108,347 from seized and forfeited funds from narcotic/drug trafficking investigations in Napa County for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 (4/5 vote required):

1. Napa Sheriff's Department	41.5%	\$44,964
2. Napa Police Department	23.5%	25,462
3. Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement	11.0%	11,918
4. St. Helena Police Department	9.0%	9,751
5. Calistoga Police Department	9.0%	9,751
6. Napa Probation Department	6.0%	6,501

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Transfer of asset forfeiture funds, approved by the Napa Special Investigations's Governing Board, to various agencies for law enforcement equipment purchases.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? The funds from the Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement (\$11,918) will be recognized in NSIB Budget Unit 23800 (48016900), as set in the 05/06 budget. The Sheriff's Department funds (\$44,964) and Probation Department (\$6,501) will be deposited into their asset forfeiture trust account to be used for future law enforcement purchases.

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: Bylaws adopted by the partner agencies describe the distribution of assets seized during law enforcement activities. Today's action complies with that distribution.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: There is no future fiscal impact past the current fiscal year.

Consequences if not approved: Funds would not be distributed to the partner agencies.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Pursuant to California Asset Forfeiture laws, funds that have been forfeited from narcotic/drug trafficking are held in a trust account awaiting distribution. The Governing Board of NSIB determines distribution percentages that were approved at the January 23, 2006 meeting for FY 05/06. The Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement has requested that their portion of funds (\$11,918) be retained by NSIB for expenses incurred by the BNE personnel assigned to the Napa Special Investigation Bureau. Sheriff's and Probation Department funds will be deposited to trust accounts for future equipment purchases.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi