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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Janice Donovan for JOHN ROBERTSON JR. - Sheriff-Coroner
Sheriff

REPORT BY: Janice Donovan, Sheriff's Administrative Manager - 259-8674

SUBJECT: Contract with County of Los Angeles for Prisoner Transportation Services

RECOMMENDATION

Sheriff requests approval of and authorization for the Chairman to sign a renewal of Agreement No. 7221 with the County of Los Angeles at no cost for the term July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019 for the reciprocal intrastate transportation of prisoners.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department has been providing prisoner transportation for the County of Napa for approximately the last twenty two years. Persons are frequently arrested or detained in jurisdictions throughout the State of California on the authority of warrants issued from the County of Napa. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department operates a statewide prisoner transportation system with scheduled weekly trips throughout the State of California. The current agreement expires June 30, 2014, and a renewal is recommended. The agreement has no cost associated with it.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Prisoner transportation funds have been included in the FY 14/15 budget and will be budgeted in future fiscal years. By using Los Angeles Sheriff's Department as our agent, no additional funding will be needed.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: The agreement with Los Angeles Sheriff's Department will assist us in transporting prisoners to central locations and will minimize mileage, time, and staff costs.

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: There is no future fiscal impact. The prisoner transportation services provided among the two counties are reciprocal.

Consequences if not approved: Prisoner transportation costs would increase as we would be sending our vehicle and deputies for the transports. TOPIC (Transportation of Prisoners in Cooperation) is a cost effective organization that benefits our department, saving staff time and money.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: General Rule. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the proposed action may have a significant effect on the environment and therefore CEQA is not applicable. [See Guidelines For the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, 14 CCR 15061(b)(3)].

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Sheriff's Department participates in a statewide law enforcement transportation cooperative referred to as TOPIC (Transportation of Prisoners in Cooperation). All participants in TOPIC assist other agencies in transporting prisoners to central locations to minimize mileage, time and staff costs to all participating agencies. All 58 counties, California Department of Corrections and several large police departments participate in this cooperative effort.

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department has requested that all participants enter into an agreement since they are the largest agency and do the majority of prisoner transportation throughout California. The Napa Sheriff's Department provides reciprocal transportation of prisoners to a central location in Northern California for the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department. Currently, that location is the Sacramento Sheriff's Department Honor Farm. Agencies from all 58 counties exchange prisoners at that location as part of the TOPIC organization and do not charge any other participating agency since they are benefiting from the services provided by each other.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Karen Collins