

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Sheriff - Coroner	(2) MEETING DATE 2/2/2016	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Ian Parkinson 781-4540	
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve a grant in the amount of \$27,247 from the State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation to purchase an Off Highway Vehicle (Polaris) and related safety equipment; approve a resolution acknowledging the terms and requirements of the grant; approve a corresponding budget adjustment; amend the fixed asset list for FC 136 Sheriff-Coroner; and authorize the Sheriff-Coroner to sign documents related to this grant. All Districts.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that your Board: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve a grant in the amount of \$27,247 from the California Department of Parks and Recreation Off-Highway Motor Vehicle (OHV) to purchase an Off Highway Vehicle (Polaris) and related safety equipment to be utilized by the Sheriff's Off-Highway Safety Team (S.O.S); 2. Accept the grant and approve the resolution acknowledging the terms and requirements of the grant; 3. Authorize a corresponding budget adjustment in the amount of \$27,247 from the California Department of Parks and Recreation as the financing source and increase the Capital Outlay – Equipment appropriation by \$24,026 and the Safety Equipment appropriation by \$3,221 by a 4/5 vote; 4. Amend the fixed asset list in FC 136 to include one Polaris vehicle in the amount of \$24,026 by a 4/5 vote; and 5. Authorize the Sheriff-Coroner to sign all documents related to this grant. 			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) California Department of Parks and Recreation	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$27,247	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$27,247	(9) BUDGETED? No
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ___) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ___)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: 1516078 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A Date: _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Geoff O'Quest, Administrative Analyst			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts			

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Sheriff - Coroner / Ian Parkinson
781-4540

DATE: 2/2/2016

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that your Board:

1. Approve a grant in the amount of \$27,247 from the California Department of Parks and Recreation Off-Highway Motor Vehicle (OHV) to purchase an Off Highway Vehicle (Polaris) and related safety equipment to be utilized by the Sheriff's Off-Highway Safety Team (S.O.S).
2. Accept the grant and approve the resolution acknowledging the terms and requirements of the grant.
3. Authorize a corresponding budget adjustment in the amount of \$27,247 from the California Department of Parks and Recreation as the financing source and increase the Capital Outlay – Equipment appropriation by \$24,026 and the Safety Equipment appropriation by \$3,221 by a 4/5 vote;
4. Amend the fixed asset list in FC 136 to include one Polaris vehicle in the amount of \$24,026 by a 4/5 vote; and
5. Authorize the Sheriff-Coroner to sign all documents related to this grant.

DISCUSSION

This \$27,247 grant was awarded to the Sheriff's Office in September 2015 to purchase an Off Highway Vehicle and related safety equipment essential to afford the Sheriff's Office the ability to help protect the natural habitat of the rural areas of San Luis Obispo County. One of the requirements from the State of California is that a Board of Supervisor Resolution be submitted with the application. However during the application process, this requirement was overlooked by the Sheriff's Office and State. Later, during the process of State approval, once the omission was recognized, mutual agreement was reached to remedy the situation by allowing pursuit of a resolution from the Board of Supervisors, post State approval.

Background

Currently, when people are riding their motorcycles or other four-wheel drive vehicles in these rural difficult to reach areas, they are potentially endangering natural plants and animals. Access by larger four wheel drive vehicles is difficult due to their size and weight which restricts our access to address illegal behavior and maintain a visible deterrent. This smaller, light weight vehicle will allow the Sheriff's Office to gain access to rural areas of the County. We currently work closely with the National Forest Park Rangers in the extreme rural areas of the county providing enforcement of the OHV laws as they apply in the parks. We are also periodically called to the areas for search and rescue operations where these vehicles would be a valuable asset in transporting team members and potential victims to safety.

The Sheriff's Office recently created the Sheriff's Off-Highway Safety Team (S.O.S. Team) to provide local law enforcement presence on the extensive OHV trail systems and fire roads in our rural areas and National Forest lands. We will use the purchased equipment and continue our partnership working closely with U.S. Forest Service, Union Pacific Railroad Police, local Police agencies, and Department of Fish and Wildlife in our enforcement and educational efforts. This equipment is not a replacement for current equipment but new equipment that will assist with the Sheriff's Off-Highway Safety Team.

In Fiscal Year 2015-16, your Board approved a request by the Sheriff's Office through the budget adoption process, to purchase an Off-Road Vehicle (Polaris) and safety equipment using County OHV Funds. This grant provides for additional needed equipment for the Sheriff's Off-Highway Safety Team (S.O.S. Team).

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

Increased support of our Federal, State and Local agencies related to enforcement efforts in our rural areas.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The grant provides for an award of \$27,247, and will be utilized to pay for one Off Highway Vehicle (Polaris) and safety equipment. Maintenance related to the purchase of the Polaris will be absorbed in the Sheriff's Office budget.

The grant requires a 25% match from the Sheriff's Office. The grant allows for the 25% match to be work hours performed by the Sergeant and Deputies assigned to the Sheriff's Off-Highway Safety Team. The estimated hours for scheduled patrols of the rural areas will meet the 25% grant match requirement.

RESULTS

Approval of this request will allow the Sheriff's Office to purchase an Off Highway Vehicle and related safety equipment to safely and effectively patrol and help protect the natural environment of our rural areas. This meets the County's Community-wide Results for a **Safe Community**: "The County will strive to create a community where all people-adults and children alike-have a sense of security and well being, crime is controlled, fire and rescue response is timely, and roads are safe."

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution - California Department of Parks and Recreation Off-Highway Motor Vehicle (OHV)