RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2016-350

MEETING: June 28, 2016

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Doug Binnewies, Sheriff-Coronel-Public Administrator

RE: 2016 Forest Service Law Enforcement Patrol Agreement

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve Agreement 12-LE-11051360-002 and Modification 012 (2016 Forest Service Law Enforcement Patrol Agreement) and Modification Number 012 with the United States Department of Agriculture, Sierra and Stanislaus National Forests, for Law Enforcement Services on National Forest Lands, and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Agreement and the Sheriff to Sign the Modification.

The United States Department of Agriculture is seeking an agreement with Mariposa County to provide law enforcement services on those lands that are designated as National Forest Lands. The law enforcement services that are to be provided by the Mariposa County Sheriff’s Office are intended to supplement the services being provided by National Forest Service Law Enforcement Personnel.

The Agreement identifies the following targeted area of enforcement that will be reimbursed:

1. Patrol activities within the Merced River canyon, rural forest roads, campgrounds, recreation areas, trails, trail-heads and Forest Service facilities of Mariposa County.

This Grant Agreement reflects the change to the minimum wage requirement, and while this has no impact to the Agreement, needs to be incorporated per Federal policies and procedures.

The Mariposa County Sheriff’s Office has a long history of working cooperatively with National Forest Law Enforcement Personnel, and a proven success record of locating and eradicating large cannabis growing operations on National Forest lands.

This Agreement totals the amount of $5,000 and the attached Modification of $4,000, which increases the total Agreement to $9,000 reimbursable revenue to the County.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board of Supervisors has approved similar agreements with the Department of Agriculture, Sierra and Stanislaus National Forests in past years.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If the Agreement is not signed, Mariposa County will not be able to seek reimbursement from
the Department of Agriculture for law enforcement services provided on National Forest Lands.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
None, Funding is provided by the U.S. Forest Service. Revenue has been included in the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget. No direct impact to the General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
FS AOP Patrol Contract 2016-2017  (PDF)
FS Patrol 2016 Modification   (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

Mary Hodson, CAO 6/23/2016

RESULT:  ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:  Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER:  Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
AYES:  Rosemarie Smallcombe, Merlin Jones, Marshall Long, Kevin Cann
EXCUSED:  John Carrier