DEPARTMENT: Sheriff

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: Request approval to apply for the “2010 Remote Community Alert Systems Program” which is part of the Federal Grant Program.

The Mariposa County Sheriff’s Office is requesting approval to apply for a Federal Grant that is being offered through the National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Department of Commerce. The grant which is entitled the “2010 Remote Community Alert Systems Program”, is available to 32 California Counties who have been identified as having a population density of 100 residents or less per square mile. The purpose of the grant is to provide for outdoor alerting technologies in remote communities effectively underserved by commercial mobile service for the purpose of enabling residents of those communities to receive emergency messages. The amount sought under the grant is $107,012.50 and does not require any matching funds. The grant funds will be awarded in fiscal year 2010/2011. If the requested grant funding is received it will be used for the purchase of four portable, changeable message trailers, two of which will be equipped with highway advisory radios.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS: The Board has given past authorization to the sheriff’s office to apply for similar Federal grants.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION: The sheriff’s office will continue to utilize existing technology to make notification to residents of emergencies that may threaten communities within the county.

Financial Impact? ( ) Yes ( ) No
Budgeted In Current FY? ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $0
Additional Funding Needed: $0
Source:
Internal Transfer
Unanticipated Revenue
Transfer Between Funds
Contingency
( ) General ( ) Other

Annual Recurring Cost: $0
See attached grant application forms.

CLERK’S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 16-20
Ord. No.
Vote – Ayes: 5 Noes: 0
Absent:
\( \square \) Approved
\( \square \) Minute Order Attached \( \square \) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.
Date:
Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California
By: Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
Requested Action Recommended
No Opinion
Comments:

CAO:
ANNOUNCEMENT OF FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Federal Agency Name(s): National Weather Service (NWS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce

Funding Opportunity Title: Remote Community Alert Systems Program 2010

Announcement Type: Initial

Funding Opportunity Number: NOAA-NWS-NWSPO-2010-2002071

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 11.468, Applied Meteorological Research

Funding Opportunity Description: The Remote Community Alert Systems Program 2010 represents a NOAA/NWS effort to provide for outdoor alerting technologies in remote communities effectively underserved by commercial mobile service for the purpose of enabling residents of those communities to receive emergency messages. These activities will engage the private sector, academia, county and local governments with their State Government office, U.S. Territory or Possession Government office or Tribal Community Government office in opportunities and technologies to further disseminate emergency messages. This program is a contributing element of the Warning, Alert, and Response Network (WARN) Act. NOAA's program is designed to complement other agency contributions to that national effort.

The Federal Communications Commission has defined a "remote" area to consist of a county with a population density of 100 persons per square mile or less, based on the most recently available Census data. Also, "commercial mobile service" means those services that are required to provide E911 services in accordance with Section 20.18 of the Commission's rules. "Effectively underserved" identifies "remote communities" that do not receive "commercial mobile service" as demonstrated by coverage maps, technical analysis, field tests, or any other reasonable means.