

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

May 20, 2025

FROM

SHANNON D. DICUS, Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator

SUBJECT

Agreement with the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways for the Boating Safety and Enforcement Financial Aid Program

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve **Agreement No. 25-293** with the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways, for the Boating Safety and Enforcement Financial Aid Program for patrol operations at the Colorado River, in the amount of \$412,661, for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

(Presenter: Carolina Mendoza, Chief Deputy Director, 387-0640)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The agreement with the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW), through its Boating Safety and Enforcement Financial Aid Program (Financial Aid Program), in the amount of \$412,661, will help offset the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator's (Department) 2025-26 estimated cost of \$1,100,588 to provide boating safety and enforcement activities at the Colorado River. The remaining estimated cost of \$687,927 will be funded within the Department's 2025-26 recommended budget allocation.

Funding from the California Department of Parks and Recreation is contingent upon approval of the State's 2025-26 budget. If funding for this program is reduced, an equal portion will be deducted from every Financial Aid Program recipient. No matching funds are required.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Department operates and maintains the necessary equipment and personnel at the Colorado River to provide enforcement of boating regulations, assistance to boaters in distress, and for search and rescue operations. The Department coordinates with the Mohave County (Arizona) Sheriff's Department to provide regular boat patrols, as well as periodic task forces to enforce boating under the influence statutes.

On December 17, 2024 (Item No. 90), the Board of Supervisors approved the submission of an application to DBW in the amount of \$1,100,588 for funding to fully recover the cost of patrol

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operations on the Colorado River for 2025-26. The County's application was subsequently accepted and funds in the amount of \$412,661 were awarded. The remaining estimated cost of \$687,927 will be funded within the Department's 2025-26 recommended budget allocation.

The State requires the County to sign the agreement prior to execution by the State. Under the terms of the proposed agreement, the County may terminate without cause in writing at any time, and DBW may terminate the agreement without cause with 60 days' advance written notice to the County.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Grace B. Parsons, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on April 14, 2025; Finance (Erika Rodarte, Administrative Analyst, 387-4919) on May 1, 2025; and County Finance and Administration (Valerie Clay, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on May 5, 2025.

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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors
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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Curt Hagman
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.
Absent: Jesse Armendarez

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: May 20, 2025



cc: Sheriff/Coroner - Mendoza w/agree for sign
Contractor - c/o Sheriff/Coroner w/agree
File - w/agree
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