

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

April 7, 2026

**FROM**

**SHANNON D. DICUS, Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator**

**SUBJECT**

Agreement with the 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. 26-272** with the 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 \$291,996.99, for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

(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.**

**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, in the amount of \$291,996.99, will help offset the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator's (Department) 2026-27 estimated cost of \$1,108,227.80 to provide boating safety and enforcement activities at the Colorado River. The remaining estimated cost of \$816,230.81 will be funded within the Department's 2026-27 recommended budget allocation.

Funding from the California Department of Parks and Recreation is contingent upon approval of the state's 2026-27 budget. If funding for the program is reduced, it is expected that the Department's funding allocation will also be reduced. Matching funds are not 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 16, 2025 (Item No. 110), the Board of Supervisors approved the submission of an application to DBW in the amount of \$1,108,227.80 for funding to fully recover the cost of patrol operations on the Colorado River for 2026-27. The County's application was subsequently

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accepted and funds in the amount of \$291,996.99 were awarded. The remaining estimated cost of \$816,230.81 will be funded within the Department's 2026-27 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 March 20, 2026; and County Finance and Administration (Erika Rodarte, Administrative Analyst, 387-4919) on March 22, 2026.

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**APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

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

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY   
DATED: April 7, 2026



cc: Sheriff - Mendoza w/agree for sign  
Contractor - c/o Sheriff w/agree  
File - w/agree  
MBA 04/9/2026