County of Los Angeles
Sheriff's Department Headquarters
4700 Ramona Boulevard
Monterey Park, California 91754-2169

LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

January 30, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (OES) AND APPROVE AN APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT (ALL DISTRICTS) (4 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Sheriff of Los Angeles County, as an agent for the County, to accept a grant award, in the amount of $1,654,800 from the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES), for the California Multi-jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team (Cal-MMET) Program.

2. Authorize the Sheriff to sign and execute any subsequent amendments, modifications, extensions, and/or augmentations to said grant, should such action(s) be required during the term of the grant.

3. Approve a Fiscal Year (FY) 2006-07 Appropriation Adjustment, in the amount of $1,655,000 ($933,000 Salaries and Employee Benefits, and $722,000 Services and Supplies), to be fully offset by State grant funding (Attachment I).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On September 27, 2006, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) submitted a grant application to OES for the Los Angeles County allocation of State Cal-MMET Program funding. This allocation was approved as submitted to OES by the regional committee that made the determination of funding. On November 14, 2006, your Board approved and signed the OES Certification of Assurances form certifying

to OES that Board authority is given to the Sheriff, as agent of the County, to accept the Cal-MMET award. A Letter of Intent, which serves as notification of the award, was received on November 17, 2006 (Attachment II). An OES News Bulletin regarding the funding to county sheriff's departments across the state to support their efforts in combating methamphetamine distribution and sales through the Cal-MMET Program was circulated on December 1, 2006 (Attachment III). The grant will provide $1,654,800 for the Department to implement a countywide multi-jurisdictional methamphetamine enforcement team. This team of investigators will be utilized to target and eradicate methamphetamine manufacturers and traffickers who produce and/or sell significant quantities of methamphetamine, including precursor trafficking, within the Los Angeles County area, with the ultimate goal of dismantling these organizations.

The Cal-MMET multi-jurisdictional task force is comprised of personnel from the Department, as well as outside agencies within the County. Four investigators and two sergeants from the Department's Narcotics Bureau will be dedicated to the program. Participation from other agencies includes one investigator from each of the following municipal police departments: Glendale, La Verne, Culver City, and Glendora. The State of California Bureau of Narcotics Enforcement (BNE) will provide two investigators to the program, although these two positions will not be funded by the grant.

Additional assistance and support will be provided to Cal-MMET as needed by members of the Los Angeles Interagency Metropolitan Police Apprehension Crime Task Force (LA-IMPACT), who are certified to respond to clandestine methamphetamine laboratories for the purposes of cleanup, prosecution and further investigation, and by the Los Angeles County Regional Criminal Information Clearinghouse (LACRCIC), an intelligence gathering entity linked to State and Federal networks.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Cal-MMET Program conforms to the Los Angeles County's Strategic Plan, Goal 1: Service Excellence, as it provides the Department with the ability to respond to public need, thereby providing public services that are beneficial and responsive, Goal 5: Well-Being of Children and Families, and Goal 6: Community Services, as it improves the quality of life for residents of Los Angeles County by targeting and dismantling methamphetamine manufacturing and distribution organizations.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Appropriation Adjustment in the amount of $1,655,000 ($933,000 for Salary and Employee Benefits and $722,000 for Operating Expenses) will be fully offset by State grant funding. The County is not required to contribute any matching funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The grant period is from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007. However, OES was not able to notify the Department in a timely manner due to the late inclusion of Los Angeles County into the Cal-MMET Program, and an unexpected increase in State funding. The Department submitted the application by the due date of September 27, 2006, with permission from OES to submit two Assurance of Compliance Certificates upon Board approval on November 14, 2006, to complete the application process.

This Board letter has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

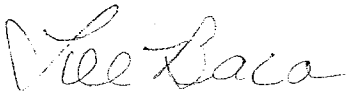
The award of $1,654,800 in grant funding will have a positive impact on current services as it provides the Department's Narcotic's Bureau the fiscal ability to fund a team of investigators to identify and arrest methamphetamine manufacturers and traffickers, and to work toward achieving the ultimate goal of dismantling these organizations within Los Angeles County.

Upon implementation, as a result of anticipated arrests resulting from the Department's investigations, it is expected that there will be a workload increase for the County justice departments, including the District Attorney, Public Defender, and the Alternate Public Defender. However, due to the complexities of these investigations, it may take up to six months of investigative work before any arrests are made. Coupled with the late start date of the grant, the impact of this program may not affect the various County justice departments until the beginning of FY 2007/08. The District Attorney's Office has been contacted relative to funding for the upcoming fiscal year for this grant program.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, please return four (4) individually certified copies of the Board-adopted letter to the Department's Grants Unit. The Sheriff's Department's contacts for the requested Board action are Peter Zavala, Grants Manager, at (323) 526-5112 and Marcelle Murr, Grants Coordinator, at (323) 526-5212.

Sincerely,



LEROY D. BACA
SHERIFF

ATTACHMENT #1

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPT'S No. 770

DEPARTMENT OF Sheriff

January 30, 07

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.
THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

-- 4 VOTES --

FISCAL YEAR 06/07

SOURCES		USES	
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - DETECTIVE A01 - SH - 8810 - 15681 - 15683 STATE OTHER - SPECIAL GRANTS INCREASE REVENUE	$1,655,000	SHERIFF'S DEPT - DETECTIVE A01 - SH- 1000 - 15681 - 15683 SALARIES & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS INCREASE APPROPRIATION	$933,000
		SHERIFF'S DEPT - DETECTIVE A01 - SH- 2000 - 15681 - 15683 SERVICES & SUPPLIES INCREASE APPROPRIATION	$722,000
Total:	$1,655,000		$1,655,000

JUSTIFICATION: Grant award from the California State Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES), to conduct the California Multi-jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team (Cal-MMET) Program in Los Angeles County. Grant #MH06010190.

Conrad Meredith, Director, Financial Programs

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

cc: Cynthia Evans

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR— ACTION

✓ RECOMMENDATION

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BY Hal Fung

No. 110 JAN 16 2007

APPROVED AS REQUESTED ✓ AS REVISED

January 17 2007 Jacqueline A. White

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

APPROVED (AS REVISED): 19

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

SEND 5 COPIES TO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

ATTACHMENT 2

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES
LAW ENFORCEMENT AND VICTIM SERVICES DIVISION
3650 SCHRIEVER AVENUE
MATHER, CALIFORNIA 95655
(916) 324-9112
FAX: (916) 323-1756

November 13, 2006

Sheriff Lee Baca
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
4700 Ramona Boulevard
Monterey Park, CA 91754-2169

RE: Letter of Intent to Fund Grant Award Agreement MH06010190 - Cal-MMET Program

Dear Sheriff Baca:

This letter is to confirm our intent to fund the California Multi-jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team (Cal-MMET) Program in all 58 California County Sheriff's Departments. The processing of grant awards for the Cal-MMET Program has been delayed due to budgetary complexities stemming from the 2006/07 State Budget Act providing an additional $19.7 million on a two-year, limited-term basis.

It is therefore, the intent of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services to award State General Funds in the Award Amount of $1,654,800 to fund your Cal-MMET Program. The Grant Award Agreement is a twelve-month period beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007. A new grant application will be required for each subsequent grant period.

We understand the difficulties that this delay has caused you, and we wish to offer our assurance that OES is committed to providing this funding to support and strengthen your methamphetamine eradication efforts.

Thank you for your patience and we will do everything possible to keep you informed of the status of your grant. If you have any questions, please contact your Program Specialist or the Drug Enforcement Section at (916) 324-9112.

Sincerely,

J. Isaacson for

KIRBY EVERHART
Public Safety Branch Chief

ATTACHMENT 3

-----Original Message-----
From: California_Governor's_Office_of_Emergency_Services@oes.ca.gov
[mailto:California_Governor's_Office_of_Emergency_Services@oes.ca.gov]
Sent: Friday, December 01, 2006 9:54 AM
To: Brian_Rentschler@oes.ca.gov
Subject: OES NEWS BULLETIN: STATE OES TO AWARD $29 MILLION IN GRANTS TO COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT TO FIGHT METHAMPHETAMINES

OES NEWS BULLETIN for: CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

STATE OES TO AWARD $29 MILLION IN GRANTS TO COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT TO FIGHT METHAMPHETAMINES

Starting in December, the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) will begin distributing a total of $29 million in grant funds to county sheriffs' departments across the state to support their efforts to combat methamphetamine distribution and sales. "OES' methamphetamine enforcement program was so successful and the need so great that Governor Schwarzenegger increased its funding this year, and we are now able to expand the program to fight this destructive drug," said OES Director Henry Renteria. "Last year this program enabled local law enforcement agencies to rescue 152 children, arrest 955 suspects, confiscate 321 weapons, dismantle 46 meth labs, and seize more than $6.9 million in drug money and assets." The $29 million allocated to OES' California Multi-Jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team (Cal-MMET) program represents an increase of more than $19 million from last year's budget. The grant funding was approved in June when Governor Schwarzenegger signed the 2006/07 budget. The goal of this program is to target methamphetamine manufacturers and traffickers who produce or sell significant quantities of methamphetamine; to disrupt and dismantle their clandestine labs and organizations; to prosecute those responsible, and to use state and/or federal law to identify and seize assets related to the production, sale and distribution of methamphetamine.

To visit the OES website containing this news bulletin as well as previous news bulletins,either click on this link or copy and paste it into the address bar of your browser....http://www.oes.ca.gov/Executive/Public/OES+News+Bulletin.nsf/Web%20News%20Lookup?openview

For more information contact the OES Office of Public Information at 916-845-8400

Los Angeles County Chief Administrative Office
Grant Management Statement for Grants Exceeding $100,000

Department: Sheriff

Grant Project Title and Description: **California Multi-jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team** (Cal-MMET)

This project, implemented by the Department's Narcotics Bureau, is a multi-jurisdictional task force that targets methamphetamine manufacturers and traffickers who produce or sell significant quantities of methamphetaimine, including precursor trafficking, to disrupt and dismantle their clandestine labs and organizations. The jurisdiction of this project covers the entire County of Los Angeles.

Funding Agency	Program (Fed. Grant # /State Bill or Code #)	Grant Acceptance Deadline
Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES)	MH 0601 0190 F.Y. 2006-07	January 30, 2007

Total Amount of Grant Funding: $1,654,800 **County Match Requirments:** 0

Grant Period: 7/1/06 - 6/30/07 **Begin Date:** 7/1/06 **End Date:** 6/30/07

Number of Personnel Hired Under This Grant: 6 **Full Time** 6 **Part Time** 0

Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires

Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant-funded program? Yes X No ____

Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items? Yes X No ____

Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires? Yes ____ No X

If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:

a). Absorb the program cost without reducing other services Yes ____ No X

b). Identify other revenue sources Yes X No ____

(Describe) FY 2007-08 funding is anticipated in the State Budget

c). Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant. Yes X No ____

Impact of additional personnel on existing space: There is no impact on existing space.

Other requirements not mentioned above: None

Department Head Signature Lee Baca **Date** 01-17-07