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

Dear Supervisors:

LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**APPROVE A LETTER OF AGREEMENT FOR THE 2016 DOMESTIC
CANNABIS ERADICATION SUPPRESSION PROGRAM
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Los Angeles County (County) Sheriff's Department (Department) is seeking the Board's approval of Agreement Number 2016-25 (Agreement) with the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for participation in the 2016 Domestic Cannabis Eradication Suppression Program (DCESP).

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Delegate authority to the Sheriff to execute the attached Agreement with the DEA, for the period from January 1, 2016, through September 30, 2016, for participation in the DCESP. Department costs associated with DCESP are reimbursed by the DEA in the amount of \$232,000.
2. Delegate authority to the Sheriff to execute the attached (1) Assurances; (2) Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters, and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements; (3) Electronic Funds Transfer Memorandum; and (4) Request for Advance or Reimbursement.
3. Delegate authority to the Sheriff to execute all amendments and modifications to the Agreement, as necessary, for the effective operation of DCESP.
4. Delegate authority to the Sheriff, as an agent for the County, to submit an Operational Plan, as required by the DEA, for DCESP funding in future fiscal years (FY).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Cannabis is the only major drug of abuse grown within our borders. The DEA is aggressively striving to halt the spread of cannabis cultivation in the United States. To accomplish this, the DEA continues to support and partner with the Department and other law enforcement agencies under the DCESP, which is the only nationwide law enforcement program that exclusively targets drug trafficking organizations involved in cannabis cultivation. Under the Agreement, the Department will work cooperatively with the DEA to locate and eradicate cannabis plants, to investigate, and prosecute those cases before the courts of the United States and the State of California (State).

The Department's participation in DCESP involves law enforcement efforts provided by the Department's Narcotics Bureau, Marijuana Eradication Team. Their primary goal is to investigate, arrest, and prosecute those persons who are engaged in the use of public lands for the commercial growing and illicit distribution of cannabis.

The use of public lands to grow cannabis causes severe damage to the environment, harming forests, streams, and wildlife population. Large sections of forests are cleared to make room for cannabis cultivation, leading to increased risks of landslides. Streams are dammed and diverted to provide water for illegal cannabis grows, stealing water that is critical to our reservoirs. This type of unregulated water usage contributes to the severe effects of drought and creates an extreme danger of wildfires. Cannabis growers also use illegal pesticides/poisons, which are banned in the United States to protect their plants, the process contaminates streams and wildlife in the surrounding area. Illegal growers who aggressively guard their plants, also pose a serious threat and safety hazard to citizens and tourists who hike and visit these public lands for recreation.

In 2015, 48 operations were conducted. Approximately 117,869 plants were eradicated, 15 firearms were seized, 17 felony arrests were made, and 9,550 pounds of trash (camping equipment, food, car batteries, propane tanks, fertilizers, pesticides, and irrigation piping) were removed from the forest. Numerous illegal dams were also torn down returning the forest to its natural condition.

The Department utilizes air and ground reconnaissance, based on intelligence information, to locate the sites of illegal cannabis cultivation, which provide substantial income to drug trafficking organizations. Eradication and seizure of illegal cannabis removes millions of dollars from crime organizations, which cripples their ability to further criminal activity. The continuing goal is to identify other possible organized crime cells operating in the County, as well as those that may be tied to larger criminal network operations.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This Agreement relates to the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 3, Integrated Services Delivery. This Agreement leverages resources from the Department and the DEA to enhance public safety services. This Agreement will provide revenue reimbursement to the Department for services rendered.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

DEA will pay federal funds in the amount of \$232,000 to defray the Department's costs associated with the eradication and suppression of cannabis. Funding from the DEA has been included in the Department's budget for FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17.

The Department's costs associated with participation in DCESP will be reimbursed by the DEA for

overtime and aircraft operating expenses directly related to the eradication and suppression of cannabis. The \$232,000 award will be provided to the County in the form of an advance payment.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The term of the Agreement is from January 1, 2016, through September 30, 2016. Either party may terminate the Agreement by giving not less than 30 days advance written notice to the other party. Pursuant to the Agreement, the Department shall perform the following activities and duties:

- Gather and report intelligence data relating to cultivation, possession, and distribution of cannabis.
- Investigate and report instances involving the trafficking of controlled substances.
- Provide Department law enforcement personnel for the eradication of cannabis within the State.
- Make arrests and refer to the appropriate prosecutorial authority cases for prosecution under controlled substances laws and other criminal laws.
- Send required samples of eradicated cannabis to the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) Potency Monitoring Project.
- Utilize the Web-based internet database to report all statistics and seizures per incident.
- Submit quarterly expenditure reports.

The Federal funds provided under the Agreement shall only be used for the eradication of cannabis. The Federal funds are primarily intended for payment of deputy overtime, while the deputy is directly engaged in the cannabis eradication process and for other direct costs related to actual conduct of cannabis eradication, such as aircraft operating costs. The DEA agrees to reimburse the County for personnel costs at the overtime hourly rates and the aircraft operating expenses at the hourly rates established by the County Auditor-Controller.

The County shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of the Department's personnel, and the Department's personnel shall not be considered as the agent of any other DCESP participating entity. Nothing in the Agreement is intended to waive or limit the DEA's sovereign immunity under other Federal or State statutory or constitutional authority. The Agreement creates no liability on the part of the DEA, its agents or employees, or the United States Government for any claims, demands, suits, liabilities, or causes of action of whatever kind and designation, and wherever located in the State resulting from the DCESP funded by DEA.

Board approval is required for this Agreement as the amount of the Agreement exceeds the authority previously delegated by the Board to the Sheriff on May 16, 2000.

County Counsel has approved the attached Agreement as to form.

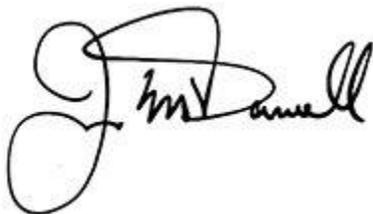
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

None. The Department will provide the personnel and resources required for participation in DCESP on an overtime basis.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, it is requested that the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board return one adopted Board letter to the Department's Contract Law Enforcement Bureau.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim McDonnell". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and "M".

JIM McDONNELL

Sheriff

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Enclosures



**U.S. Department of Justice
Drug Enforcement Administration**

www.dea.gov

Springfield, Virginia 22152

Agreement Number 2016-25

This Letter of Agreement (LOA) is entered into between the **LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**, hereinafter referred to as (**THE AGENCY**), and the DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION (DEA) OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (DOJ), hereinafter referred to as DEA, in reference to the following:

There is evidence that trafficking in marijuana (illicit cannabis) has a substantial and detrimental effect on the health and general welfare of the people of the *State of California*. The parties hereto agree that it is to their mutual benefit to cooperate in locating and eradicating illicit cannabis plants and to investigate and prosecute those cases before the courts of the United States (U.S.) and the courts of the *State of California*. DEA, pursuant to the authority of 21 U.S.C. § 873, proposes to provide certain necessary funds and **THE AGENCY** is desirous of securing funds.

NOW, therefore, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter contained, the parties hereto have agreed as follows:

1. **THE AGENCY** will, with its own law enforcement personnel and employees, as hereinafter specified, perform the activities and duties described below:
 - a. Gather and report intelligence data relating to the illicit cultivation, possession, and distribution of illicit cannabis.
 - b. Investigate and report instances involving the trafficking in controlled substances.
 - c. Provide law enforcement personnel for the eradication of illicit cannabis located within the *State of California*.
 - d. Make arrests and refer to the appropriate prosecutorial authority cases for prosecution under controlled substances laws and other criminal laws.
 - e. Send required samples of eradicated illicit cannabis to the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) Potency Monitoring Project.
 - f. **MANDATORY requirement for THE AGENCY to utilize the Web-based DEA internet Capability Endeavor(DICE) or if applicable the Firebird based DEA Analysis/Response Tracking System (DARTS) to report all statistics and seizures per incident, to include the submission of significant items for de-confliction and information sharing purposes.**
 - g. Submit to DEA quarterly expenditure reports.

2. It is understood and agreed by the parties to this Agreement that the activities described in Sub-paragraphs a, b, c, d, e, f, and g of paragraph one shall be accomplished with existing personnel, and that the scope of *THE AGENCY's* program with respect to those activities by such personnel shall be solely at *THE AGENCY's* discretion, subject to appropriate limitations contained in the budget adopted by *THE AGENCY*, except that *THE AGENCY* understands and agrees that DEA funds and the result of expended funds (e.g. equipment, supplies and other resources) must be directly related to and must only be used for marijuana eradication program activities in a manner consistent with the Controlled Substances Act (CSA), 21 U.S.C. § 801 et seq.

3. DEA will pay to *THE AGENCY* Federal funds in the amount of **TWO HUNDRED THIRTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$232,000.00)** for the period of JANUARY 1, 2016, to SEPTEMBER 30, 2016, to defray costs relating to the eradication and suppression of illicit cannabis. These Federal funds shall only be used for the eradication of illicit cannabis as provided in this agreement. *THE AGENCY* understands and agrees that Federal funds provided to *THE AGENCY* under this Agreement will not be used to defray costs relating to herbicidal eradication of illicit cannabis without the advance written consent of DEA. DCE/SP funding is provided for the storage, protection, and destruction of illicit cultivated marijuana. Funding is not provided nor expenditures allowed for the development of technology to assist with the identification of indoor and/or outdoor growing sites. Additionally funding and expenditures are not permitted for the eradication of "Ditch Weed". *THE AGENCY* understands and agrees that Federal funds will not be used to perform any of the following functions: (i) issuing licenses, permits, or other forms of authorization permitting the holder to manufacture, distribute, sell, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (ii) conducting ancillary activities related to the issuance of such licenses and permits, such as background checks on applicants; (iii) collecting state or local tax or licensing revenue related to the manufacture, distribution, or sale of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (iv) preparing or issuing regulations governing the manufacture, distribution, sale, or possession of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (v) monitoring compliance with state or local laws or regulations that permit the manufacture, distribution, sale, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA; or (vi) the purchase of evidence and the purchase of information. The result of expended funds (e.g. equipment, supplies and other resources) must be directly related to and must only be used for marijuana eradication activities. While using the Federal funds provided to *THE AGENCY* under this Agreement for activities on Federal land, *THE AGENCY* agrees to notify the appropriate local office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, (Forest Service) and the U.S. Department of the Interior (Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and/or Bureau of Reclamation) of *THE AGENCY's* presence on Federal land.

4. The Federal funds provided to *THE AGENCY* are primarily intended for payment of deputies'/officers' overtime while those deputies and officers are directly engaged in the illicit cannabis eradication process, **(per DOJ policy, the annual maximum overtime reimbursement rate is based on the current year General Pay Scale / rest of the United States and cannot exceed 25% of a GS-12, Step 1; the funds shall only be used to pay the normal overtime rate, i.e. time and a half. The overtime reimbursement rate "shall not include any cost for benefits, such as retirement, FICA, or other expenses", which is**

specifically prohibited by DOJ) and for per diem and other direct costs related to the actual conduct of illicit cannabis eradication. Examples of such costs includes rental of aircraft, fuel for aircraft, and minor repairs and maintenance necessitated by use to support illicit cannabis eradication. These Federal funds are not intended as a primary source of funding for the purchase of equipment, supplies, or other resources. When Domestic Cannabis Eradication Suppression Program (DCE/SP) funds are used to purchase supplies, equipment, or other resources, those items must be directly related to and must only be used for marijuana eradication activities and may not be used to perform any of the following functions: (i) issuing licenses, permits, or other forms of authorization permitting the holder to manufacture, distribute, sell, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (ii) conducting ancillary activities related to the issuance of such licenses and permits, such as background checks on applicants; (iii) collecting state or local tax or licensing revenue related to the manufacture, distribution, or sale of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (iv) preparing or issuing regulations governing the manufacture, distribution, sale, or possession of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; or (v) monitoring compliance with state or local laws or regulations that permit the manufacture, distribution, sale, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA. Under Section 524 (c) (1) (I)1 of title 28, United States Code, states that the Assets Forfeiture Fund may be used for payment of overtime salaries, travel, fuel, training, equipment, and other similar costs of State or local law enforcement officers that are incurred in a joint law enforcement operation with a Federal law enforcement agency participating in the Fund;" *[Agency Initial _____]*

All purchases of equipment, supplies and other resources must be requested in writing, *through* the respective DEA Division, *to the Investigative Support Section (OMS)*. Requests must include manufacturer specifications and pricing of the item (including tax, if applicable) to be purchased. OMS will notify the state/local agency whether or not the purchase has been approved. *[Agency Initial _____]*. Expenditures for equipment, supplies, and other resources should not exceed 10% of the total Federal funds awarded. Although equipment, supplies, and other resources may be specifically itemized in the Operation Plan, **they are not automatically approved for purchase**. All requests for purchases must be received in HQ/OMS by July 15th. Exemptions to any of these requirements must have prior HQ/OMS approval.

Per the DOJ, none of the funds allocated to you may be used to purchase promotional items, gifts, mementos, tokens of appreciation, or other similar items. Prohibited purchases include items justified as training aids if they are embossed, engraved or printed with **THE AGENCY** or program logos. Additionally, the use of DCE/SP funds for Demand Reduction expenses is no longer authorized.

5. In compliance with Section 623 of Public Law 102-141, **THE AGENCY** agrees that no amount of these funds shall be used to finance the acquisition of goods or services unless **THE AGENCY**:

- (a) Specifies in any announcement of the awarding of the contract for the procurement of the goods and services involved the amount of Federal funds that will be used to finance the acquisition; and
- (b) Expresses the amount announced pursuant to paragraph (a) as a percentage of the

(c) total cost of the planned acquisition.

The above requirements only apply to procurements for goods or services that have an aggregate value of \$500,000 or more. Any goods or services acquired under this provision of the agreement must be directly related to and must only be used for marijuana eradication activities and may not be used to perform any of the following functions: (i) issuing licenses, permits, or other forms of authorization permitting the holder to manufacture, distribute, sell, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (ii) conducting ancillary activities related to the issuance of such licenses and permits, such as background checks on applicants; (iii) collecting state or local tax or licensing revenue related to the manufacture, distribution, or sale of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (iv) preparing or issuing regulations governing the manufacture, distribution, sale, or possession of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; or (v) monitoring compliance with state or local laws or regulations that permit the manufacture, distribution, sale, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA.

6. If DEA approves the purchase of supplies (all tangible personal property other than "equipment" as defined by 28 C.F.R. § 66.32/66.33), and there is a residual inventory of unused supplies exceeding \$5,000 in total aggregate fair market value upon termination or completion of this Agreement, and if the supplies are not needed for any other federally sponsored programs or projects, **THE AGENCY** shall compensate DEA for DEA's share and in any case the supplies will not be used directly or indirectly to support any state, county or local entity that authorizes cultivating marijuana or has direct oversight or regulatory responsibilities for a state authorized marijuana program. **THE AGENCY** agrees that any unused supplies not exceeding \$5,000 in total aggregate fair market value upon termination or completion of this Agreement will either be used for the marijuana eradication activities, returned to DEA, or destroyed, but in any case will not be used to perform any of the following functions: (i) issuing licenses, permits, or other forms of authorization permitting the holder to manufacture, distribute, sell, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (ii) conducting ancillary activities related to the issuance of such licenses and permits, such as background checks on applicants; (iii) collecting state or local tax or licensing revenue related to the manufacture, distribution, or sale of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (iv) preparing or issuing regulations governing the manufacture, distribution, sale, or possession of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; or (v) monitoring compliance with state or local laws or regulations that permit the manufacture, distribution, sale, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA.

7. If DEA approves the purchase of equipment (tangible, non-expendable personal property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more per unit) for the use of **THE AGENCY's** personnel engaged in illicit cannabis eradication under this Agreement, **THE AGENCY** will use, manage, and dispose of the equipment in accordance with 28 C.F.R. § 66.32/66.33, except that in no case, regardless of useful life and acquisition cost, will the equipment be used directly or indirectly to perform any of the following functions: (i) issuing licenses, permits, or other forms of authorization permitting the holder to manufacture, distribute, sell, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (ii) conducting ancillary activities related to the issuance of such licenses and permits, such as background checks on applicants; (iii) collecting state or local tax or licensing revenue related to the manufacture, distribution, or sale of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (iv) preparing or issuing regulations governing the

manufacture, distribution, sale, or possession of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; or (v) monitoring compliance with state or local laws or regulations that permit the manufacture, distribution, sale, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA.

8. Payment by DEA to **THE AGENCY** will be in accordance with a schedule determined by DEA and said payment will be made pursuant to the execution by **THE AGENCY** of a Request for Advance or Reimbursement (SF-270) and receipt of same by DEA. However, no funds will be paid by DEA to **THE AGENCY** under this Agreement until DEA has received to its satisfaction an accounting of the expenditures of all funds paid to **THE AGENCY** during the previous year Agreement. The final/closeout expenditure report will be documented on a Financial Status Report (SF-425) and July thru September (FINAL) Accounting Form.

9. It is understood and agreed by **THE AGENCY** that, in return for DEA's payment to **THE AGENCY** for Federal funds, **THE AGENCY** will comply with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, guidance, and orders, including previous OMB guidance under OMB Circular A-102 (Grants and Cooperative Agreements With State and Local Governments), OMB Circular A-87 (Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments), and OMB Circular A-133 (Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations), which have been combined in 2 CFR 200, effective December 26, 2014. In addition, 2 C.F.R. Part 2867 (Non-Procurement Debarment and Suspension), 28 C.F.R. Part 83 (Drug-Free Workplace Act common rule), 28 C.F.R. Part 69 (Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment common rule) specifically apply. (Note: The LOA is reimbursable agreement, not a grant; therefore for purposes of the DCE/SP, DEA requires an audit completed regardless of the threshold amount listed in 2 CFR 200. The DCE/SP does not have an assigned Catalog of Federal of Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number. Audits can be conducted and submitted accordingly to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse database, without a CFDA number. The auditor must enter the audit information in the Federal Audit Clearinghouse database. In conjunction with the beginning date of the award, the audit report period of **THE AGENCY** under the single audit requirement is **01/01/2016** through **09/30/2016**.)

10. **THE AGENCY** acknowledges that arrangements have been made for any required financial and compliance audits and audits will be made within the prescribed audit reporting cycle. **THE AGENCY** understands that failure to furnish an acceptable audit as determined by the cognizant Federal agency may be a basis for denial of future Federal funds and/or refunding of Federal funds and may be a basis for limiting **THE AGENCY** to payment by reimbursement on a cash basis. **THE AGENCY** further understands that its use of DEA funds or the result of expended DEA funds (e.g. equipment, supplies and other resources) for any use other than the marijuana eradication program activities, including but not limited to its use directly or indirectly to perform any of the following functions: (i) issuing licenses, permits, or other forms of authorization permitting the holder to manufacture, distribute, sell, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (ii) conducting ancillary activities related to the issuance of such licenses and permits, such as background checks on applicants; (iii) collecting state or local tax or licensing revenue related to the manufacture, distribution, or sale of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; (iv) preparing or issuing regulations governing the manufacture, distribution, sale, or possession of marijuana in contravention of the CSA; or (v) monitoring

compliance with state or local laws or regulations that permit the manufacture, distribution, sale, or use marijuana in contravention of the CSA, will be a basis for denial of future Federal funds and/or refunding of Federal funds and may be a basis for limiting **THE AGENCY** to payment by reimbursement on a cash basis.

11. **THE AGENCY** shall maintain complete and accurate reports, records, and accounts of all obligations and expenditures of DEA funds under this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted government accounting principles and in accordance with state laws and procedures for expending and accounting for its own funds. **THE AGENCY** shall further maintain its records of all obligations and expenditures of DEA funds under this Agreement in accordance with all instructions provided by DEA to facilitate on-site inspection and auditing of such records and accounts.

12. **THE AGENCY** shall permit and have available for examination and auditing by DEA, the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Inspector General, the Government Accountability Office, and any of their duly authorized agents and representatives, any and all investigative reports, records, documents, accounts, invoices, receipts, and expenditures relating to this Agreement. In addition, **THE AGENCY** will maintain all such foregoing reports and records for three years after termination of this Agreement or until after all audits and examinations are completed and resolved, whichever is longer.

13. **THE AGENCY** agrees that an authorized officer or employee will execute and return to the DEA Regional Contractor, the LOA; Request for Advance or Reimbursement (SF-270); Electronic Funds Transfer Memorandum; Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension, & Other Responsibility Matters; Drug Free Workplace Requirements (OJP Form 406 1/6); and the Assurances (OJP Form 4000/3). **THE AGENCY** acknowledges that this Agreement will not take effect and that no Federal funds will be awarded by DEA until DEA receives the completed LOA package.

14. Employees of **THE AGENCY** shall at no time be considered employees of the U.S. Government or DEA for any purpose, nor will this Agreement establish an agency relationship between **THE AGENCY** and DEA.

15. **THE AGENCY** shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of **THE AGENCY's** personnel. **THE AGENCY** and **THE AGENCY's** employees shall not be considered as the agent of any other participating entity. Nothing herein is intended to waive or limit sovereign immunity under other federal or state statutory or constitutional authority. This Agreement creates no liability on the part of the DEA, its agents or employees, or the U.S. Government for any claims, demands, suits, liabilities, or causes of action of whatever kind and designation, and wherever located in the **State of California** resulting from the DCE/SP funded by DEA.

16. **THE AGENCY** shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the regulations of the U.S. Department of Justice implementing those laws, 28 C.F.R. Part 42, Subparts C, F, G, H, and I.

17. Within ten (10) days after termination of the Agreement, **THE AGENCY** will prepare an July thru September (FINAL) Accounting Form and a Financial Status Report SF-425, itemizing the breakdown of final expenditures. The July thru September (FINAL) Accounting Form and the SF-425, along with a refund check, payable to DEA funds not obligated or expended funds which were advanced by DEA pursuant to this Agreement, will be returned to the DEA Regional Contractor by October 14th.

18. Upon submission of the July thru September (FINAL) Accounting Form and Financial Status Report SF- 425 to your regional contractor for the preceding year, a copy of the general ledger and the underlying supporting documentation reflecting the expenditures for equipment in excess of \$2,500, that was previously approved by OMS, and the expenses associated with the rental or leasing of vehicles or aircraft must be attached.

19. The duration of this Agreement shall be as specified in Paragraph 3, except that this Agreement may be terminated by either party after 30 day written notice to the other party. All obligations that are outstanding on the above prescribed termination date or on the date of any thirty (30) day notice of termination shall be liquidated by **THE AGENCY** within sixty (60) days thereof, in which event DEA will only be liable for obligations incurred by **THE AGENCY** during the terms of this Agreement. In no event shall **THE AGENCY** incur any new obligations during the period of notice of termination. **THE AGENCY** shall return to DEA all unexpended funds forthwith after the sixty (60) day liquidation period. In the event that the agreement is terminated, any DEA funds that have been obligated or expended and the result of expended funds (e.g. equipment, supplies and other resources) will be used and disposed of in accordance with the provisions of this agreement.

20. **THE AGENCY** must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) to receive payment of Federal funds. There are two steps to registering in SAM. **First, THE AGENCY** must have a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number. [A "+4 extension" to a DUNS number (DUNS+4) is required when there is a need for more than one bank/electronic funds transfer account for a location.] A DUNS number may be obtained via the internet (<http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>) or by phone (U.S. and U.S. Virgin Islands: 1-866-705-5711; Alaska and Puerto Rico: 1-800-234-3867). **Second, THE AGENCY** must then register with SAM via the internet SAM www.sam.gov. Questions regarding the internet registration process may be directed to 1-866-606-8220 (follow the prompts for SAM). Both the DUNS number and registration in SAM are free of charge.

Note: It is THE AGENCY's responsibility to update their SAM registration annually or whenever a change occurs.

THE AGENCY's current DUNS No. is _____.

THE AGENCY's opportunity to enter into this Agreement with DEA and to receive the Federal funds expires sixty days from date of issuance. Agreement issued on _____.

THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ **(Blue Ink Only)**

Title: _____ Date: _____

Agency, please submit original signed LOA & associated paperwork to your DEA Regional Contractor.

DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ **(Blue Ink Only)**

Special Agent in Charge – Los Angeles Field Division Date: _____

SAC, please submit original signed LOA & associated paperwork to your Fiscal Office.

DEA DIVISIONAL FISCAL CLERK MUST INPUT INTO UFMS & COMPLETE THE BOTTOM OF THIS SECTION

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION/OBLIGATION NUMBER:

2016/S1R/OM/6610000/DOM-G2/01IB/DCE/OPS: _____

UFMS Input Date: _____ DNC No. _____

DNO No. _____ DDP No. _____

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____

Fiscal, please submit original signed LOA & associated paperwork to your DEA Regional Contractor.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

County Counsel

By

Deputy



U. S. Department of Justice
Drug Enforcement Administration
Investigative Support Section
DEA Headquarters

www.dea.gov

February 24, 2016

All Domestic Cannabis
Eradication/Suppression Program (DCE/SP)
Participating Agencies

Funding for the Domestic Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program (DCE/SP) is only available by electronic transfer. Funds will be transferred directly into the Letter of Agreement (LOA) agency's bank account. In order to process electronic transfers, the following information must be provided:

Agency Name on Bank Account: _____

Account Number: _____

Name of Bank/Financial Institution: _____

Address of Bank/Financial Institution: _____

Telephone Number of Bank/Financial Institution: _____

Contact Person of Bank/Financial Institution: _____

Bank/Financial Institution ABA Number: _____

State-Local Agency Name / LOA Number: _____

Authorized Agency Representative (Name & Title)

Signature of Authorized Agency Representative

Date

Investigative Support Section
DEA Headquarters



ASSURANCES

The Applicant hereby assures and certifies compliance with all Federal statutes, regulations, policies, guidelines and requirements, including OMB Circulars No. A-21, A-87, A-110, A-122, A-133; E.O. 12372 and Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements - 28 CFR, Part 66, Common rule, that govern the application, acceptance and use of Federal funds for this federally-assisted project. Also the Applicant assures and certifies that:

1. It possesses legal authority to apply for the grant; that a resolution, motion or similar action has been duly adopted or passed as an official act of the applicant's governing body, authorizing the filing of the application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directing and authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the applicant to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information may be required.
2. It will comply with requirements of the provisions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provides for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced as a result of Federal and federally - assisted programs.
3. It will comply with provisions of Federal law which limit certain political activities of employees of a State or local unit of government whose principal employment is in connection with an activity financed in whole or in part by Federal grants. (5 USC 1501, et seq.)
4. It will comply with the minimum wage and maximum hours provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act if applicable.
5. It will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that is or gives the appearance of being motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others, particularly those with whom they have family, business, or other ties.
6. It will give the sponsoring agency or the Comptroller General, through any authorized representative, access to the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the grant.
7. It will comply with all requirements imposed by the Federal sponsoring agency concerning special requirements of law, program requirements, and other administrative requirements.
8. It will insure that the facilities under its ownership, lease or supervision which shall be utilized in the accomplishment of the project are not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) list of Violating Facilities and that it will notify the Federal grantor agency of the receipt of any communication from the Director of the EPA Office of Federal Activities indicating that a facility to be used in the project is under consideration for listing by the EPA.
9. It will comply with the flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, Public Law 93-234, 87 Stat. 975, approved December 31, 1976, Section 102(a) requires, on and after March 2, 1975, the purchase of flood insurance in communities where such insurance is available as a condition for the receipt of any Federal financial assistance for construction or acquisition purposes for use in any area that has been identified by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development as an area having special flood hazards. The phrase "Federal financial assistance" includes any form of loan, grant, guaranty, insurance payment, rebate, subsidy, disaster assistance loan or grant, or any other form of direct or indirect Federal assistance.
10. It will assist the Federal grantor agency in its compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as amended (16 USC 470), Executive Order 11593, and the Archeological and Historical Preservation Act of 1966 (16 USC 569 a-1 et seq.) by (a) consulting with the State Historic Preservation Officer on the conduct of investigations, as necessary, to identify properties listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places that are subject to adverse effects (see 36 CFR Part 800.8) by the activity, and notifying the Federal grantor agency of the existence of any such properties, and by (b) complying with all requirements established by the Federal grantor agency to avoid or mitigate adverse effects upon such properties.
11. It will comply, and assure the compliance of all its subgrantees and contractors, with the applicable provisions of Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended, the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, or the Victims of Crime Act, as appropriate; the provisions of the current edition of the Office of Justice Programs Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants, M7100.1; and all other applicable Federal laws, orders, circulars, or regulations.
12. It will comply with the provisions of 28 CFR applicable to grants and cooperative agreements including Part 18, Administrative Review Procedure; Part 20, Criminal Justice Information Systems; Part 22, Confidentiality of Identifiable Research and Statistical Information; Part 23, Criminal Intelligence Systems Operating Policies; Part 30, Intergovernmental Review of Department of Justice Programs and Activities; Part 42, Nondiscrimination/Equal Employment Opportunity Policies and Procedures; Part 61, Procedures for Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act; Part 63, Floodplain Management and Wetland Protection Procedures; and Federal laws or regulations applicable to Federal Assistance Programs.
13. It will comply, and all its contractors will comply, with the nondiscrimination requirements of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended, 42 USC 3789(d), or Victims of Crime Act (as appropriate); Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; Subtitle A, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) (1990); Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; Department of Justice Non-Discrimination Regulations, 28 CFR Part 42, Subparts C, D, E, and G; and Department of Justice regulations on disability discrimination, 28 CFR Part 35 and Part 39.
14. In the event a Federal or State court or Federal or State administrative agency makes a finding of discrimination after a due process hearing on the grounds of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, or disability against a recipient of funds, the recipient will forward a copy of the finding to the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs.
15. It will provide an Equal Employment Opportunity Program if required to maintain one, where the application is for \$500,000 or more.
16. It will comply with the provisions of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (P.L. 97-348) dated October 19, 1982 (16 USC 3501 et seq.) which prohibits the expenditure of most new Federal funds within the units of the Coastal Barrier Resources System.

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Date

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Office of the Comptroller

**CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING LOBBYING; DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND
OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS; AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Applicants should also review the instructions for certification included in the regulations before completing this form. Signature of this form provides for compliance with certification requirements under 28 CFR Part 69, "New Restrictions on Lobbying" and 28 CFR Part 67, "Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)." The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the Department of Justice determines to award the covered transaction, grant, or cooperative agreement.

1. LOBBYING

As required by Section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code, and implemented at 28 CFR Part 69, for persons entering into a grant or cooperative agreement over \$100,000, as defined at 28 CFR Part 69, the applicant certifies that:

- (a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal grant or cooperative agreement;
- (b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form - LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions;
- (c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**2. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER
RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS
(DIRECT RECIPIENT)**

As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, and implemented at 28 CFR Part 67, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined at 28 CFR Part 67, Section 67.510--

A. The applicant certifies that it and its principals:

- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connec-

public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

- (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default; and

B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

**3. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE
(GRANTEES OTHER THAN INDIVIDUALS)**

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 28 CFR Part 67, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 28 CFR Part 67 Sections 67.615 and 67.620--

A. The applicant certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
- (b) Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees about--
 - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
- (c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
- (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant,

(1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and

(2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

(e) Notifying the agency, in writing, within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to: Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, ATTN: Control Desk, 810 7th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20531. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

(f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted--

(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or

(2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

(g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).

B. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

Check ___ if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

Section 67, 630 of the regulations provides that a grantee that is a State may elect to make one certification in each Federal fiscal year. A copy of which should be included with each application for Department of Justice funding. States and State agencies may elect to use OJP Form 4061/7.

Check ___ if the State has elected to complete OJP Form 4061/7.

**DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE
(GRANTEES WHO ARE INDIVIDUALS)**

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A. As a condition of the grant, I certify that I will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant; and

B. If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, I will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction, to: Department of Justice, Office of Justice

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I hereby certify that the applicant will comply with the above certifications.

1. Grantee Name and Address:

2. Application Number and/or Project Name

3. Grantee IRS/Vendor Number

4. Typed Name and Title of Authorized Representative

5. Signature

6. Date

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