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From: David E. Janssen  
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**REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S NEEDS RELATIVE TO FIELD SERVICES INCLUDING CASELOADS AND EFFECTIVE PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAMS (AGENDA OF JUNE 18, 2007, ITEM NO. 10)**

On March 13, 2007, on the motion of Supervisor Knabe, your Board directed the Chief Administrative Office (CAO) to report back during budget deliberations on ways to fund and/or improve the field caseload levels in the Probation Department.

Additionally, on March 13, 2007, on the motion of Supervisor Antonovich, your Board instructed the CAO to include a review and recommendations on Probation's needs relative to field services, including caseloads and effective public safety programs.

On May 8, 2007, Probation submitted its proposed staffing increases to my office for adult and juvenile field operations based on Evidence-Based Practices (EBP) caseload recommendations. Probation also submitted its proposed staffing increases for Juvenile Special, Juvenile Placement services and other public safety programs. Probation's proposed increases total approximately \$44.0 million to fund 588.0 sworn officer and support positions to fully implement effective EBP and client outcomes.

The Probation Department is in the process of providing, to my staff, supporting documentation of their needs identified in the document submitted to my office on May 8, 2007. Once my office has an opportunity to analyze this information, we will return to your Board with a report and recommendations during Supplemental Changes in September. In the meantime, \$13.6 million in ongoing funding is available in the Provisional Financing Uses budget to address some of these issues.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information, or your staff may contact Gevork Simdjian at (213) 893-9736.

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