



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Sheriff

SUBJECT:

Deputization Agreement between the Blue Lake Rancheria Tribe, the County of Humboldt, and the Sheriff of Humboldt County for the Deputization of Qualified Blue Lake Tribal Police Officers

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors approve Deputization Agreement between the Blue Lake Rancheria Tribe, the County of Humboldt, and the Sheriff of Humboldt County (Attachment 1) for the Deputization of qualified Blue Lake Rancheria Tribal Police Officers in compliance with California Penal Code Sections 830.6 and 830.8; authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign three (3) original copies of the Deputization Agreement (Agreement) and all amendments, extensions or revisions to the document for the term of the Agreement; and authorize the Humboldt County Sheriff to sign three (3) original copies of the Deputization Agreement (Agreement) and all amendments, extensions or revisions to the document for the term of the Agreement and to distribute to all interested parties.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

General Fund

DISCUSSION:

The County of Humboldt, the Sheriff of Humboldt County and the Blue Lake Rancheria have utilized cooperative agreements between the County of Humboldt, the elected Sheriff and the Blue Lake Rancheria for the enhancement of public safety services within the boundaries of the Blue Lake Rancheria. These cooperative agreements have been valued by all parties in order to increase law enforcement resources on the Blue Lake Rancheria and to enhance appropriate enforcement of state laws pursuant to Public Law 280.

Because of the unique culture and history of the Blue Lake Rancheria, the geographic location of the Blue Lake Rancheria, and the structure of tribal and federal Indian laws within the exterior boundaries of the Blue Lake Rancheria, implementation of this agreement would greatly enhance law enforcement on the Rancheria.

Blue Lake Rancheria Tribal Council agrees to the terms of the agreement (Attachment 1) and Tribal Council resolution (Attachment 2), in compliance with California Penal Code Sections 830.6 and 830.8. Once approved by your Board, the Sheriff agrees to deputize qualified Blue Lake Tribal Police (BLTPD) officers who have successfully completed (1) a standardized background investigation acceptable to the Sheriff and (2) the Regular Basic Course (RBC) for peace officers prescribed by the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). To maintain reserve deputy status, newly deputized BLTPD officers must pass the standard 720 hour formal Field Training Program with the Sheriff's Office. Upon successful completion of the Field Training Program, BLTPD officers will be recognized as solo beat officers with full reserve deputy status with the Sheriff's Office. The Tribe agrees that all deputized BLTPD officers will come under the authority of a Sheriff's Office supervisor, watch commander, and/or the Sheriff's designee while performing his or her state law enforcement functions and duties.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

During the term of the agreement, all costs associated with the fulfillment of the agreement will be covered by Blue Lake Rancheria. Personnel costs incurred by the Sheriff's Office or county staff for completion of background investigations, testing, making of travel and training arrangements, and completion of field training evaluations are paid by the proposed FY 2018-19 Sheriff's Operations budget unit 1100-221, and future General Fund allocation for salaries and benefits for existing county personnel. There will be no additional personnel added and no additional impact to the General Fund. Any out-of-pocket costs to the county for background investigations, pre-employment testing, training or other activities required for deputization will be reimbursed by Blue Lake Rancheria.

The Deputization Agreement authorizing the Humboldt County Sheriff to deputize qualified BLTPD officers meets the Board of Supervisors Strategic Plan by helping to build inter-jurisdictional and regional cooperation and to enforce laws and regulation that protect all residents of Humboldt County.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Blue Lake Rancheria Tribal Council

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board of Supervisors may choose not to approve the Deputization Agreement between the County of Humboldt, the Humboldt County Sheriff and the Blue Lake Rancheria, however, this is not recommended.

If not approved, the sole responsibility for law enforcement activities on the Blue Lake Rancher will fall to the Sheriff's Office, requiring additional County funded Deputies at the County's expense.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1- Deputization Agreement between the Blue Lake Rancheria, the County of Humboldt, and the Sheriff of Humboldt County for the Deputization of Qualified Blue Lake Tribal Police Officers

Attachment 2 - Resolution Blue Lake Rancheria

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: N/A

