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**STAFF REPORT:** Law Enforcement/Public Safety

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**SUBJECT:** Law Enforcement Update

# **Summary**

Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 5090.50, law enforcement entities that receive funds from the Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program are subject to financial and performance audits at least once every five years. The Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division posts site visit reports on the OHMVR Division's website for law enforcement agencies that receive grants from the Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Trust Fund.

The OHMVR Division Law Enforcement team offers a POST-approved (Peace Officer Standards and Training) OHV Law Enforcement class to local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies statewide. The goal of this class is to educate other agencies regarding OHV-specific laws and promote the consistent statewide application of those laws.

The Law Enforcement team will provide law enforcement, public safety, and educational support on the Rubicon Trail during the upcoming 2018 summer season. The team continues to be active in supporting State Vehicular Recreation Areas (SVRAs) during periods of peak visitation and special events, as well assisting other agencies with their large events, such as the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) King of the Hammers.

### **Discussion**

#### Law Enforcement Grant Applications

The OHMVR Division completed the second and final review of 76 Law Enforcement grant applications for the 2017/2018 grant cycle. Law Enforcement Grants are not competitive, as such the two-stage review process safeguards the funding of public monies for appropriate OHV activities.

# **OHV Law Enforcement Training Classes**

OHMVR Division Law Enforcement staff scheduled nine Law Enforcement classes and seven Sound Training classes for 2018. These classes are presented free of charge to local, state, and federal agencies that provide OHV recreation opportunities. To date, classes have been held at the following cities: Chico, San Bernardino, Placerville, and Porterville. Future classes will be held at Hungry Valley SVRA, Oceano Dunes SVRA, Palm Desert, Ridgecrest, and Tahoe City.

# Law Enforcement Deployment Update

**Rubicon/Fordyce Trail:** OHMVR Division Law Enforcement staff is schedule to deployed on ten occasions between June and September 2018 to assist the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, the Placer County Sheriff's Office, and the Eldorado National Forest with education, law enforcement, calls for service, and search and rescue. The Division is planning two deployments to the Fordyce Trail with the actual dates still to be determined.

**Prairie City SVRA:** OHMVR Division Law Enforcement staff will assisted Prairie City SVRA with the annual Hangtown Motocross Classic event scheduled for May 2018.

**Tierra Del Sol Desert Safari:** OHMVR Division deployed two officers to assist Ocotillo Wells SVRA staff during the Tierra Del Sol Desert Safari event held on March 2 through March 4, 2018. The Division also assisted with recruitment of additional supplemental Law Enforcement staff from other park units throughout the Department.

There were 194 contacts recorded by public safety personnel—16 for major medical emergencies; 117 for citations with the largest number of those (69) issued for violation of posted orders; and 12 arrests.

#### **Commission Action**

For information only.

#### **Attachments**

None