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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: August 28, 2018

DATE: Wednesday, August 22, 2018

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Pat Lee, Captain, Special Operations Division
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THROUGH: Chuck Allen, Sheriff

SUBJECT: Approve the NLTFPD Interlocal Agreement — RAVEN Fire Training, Monitoring and Suppression Personnel and Equipment between the County of Washoe on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District in the amount of [\$10,000], for the retroactive period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, for the provision, when requested of a helicopter or other aircraft and personnel and approve reimbursement for services rendered throughout the year by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to be paid in accordance with the Interlocal Agreement to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Regional Aviation Unit (RAVEN). (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

This Interlocal Agreement — RAVEN Fire Training, Monitoring and Suppression Personnel and Equipment between the County of Washoe on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) and North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District (NLTFPD) reimburses the Sheriff's Office for services rendered throughout the year by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, including use of the RAVEN aircraft and personnel.

Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On June 13, 2017, The Board of County Commissioners approved the Interlocal Agreement — RAVEN Fire Training, Monitoring and Suppression Personnel and Equipment. The Board also approved this Agreement on June 28, 2016; May 28, 2013; December 11, 2012; and October 12, 2010.

BACKGROUND

In 2007, the need for an airborne firefighting asset dedicated to the protection of Washoe County citizens and property was identified. Because the WCSO already owned an aircraft, the HH-1H "Huey" which was capable of fulfilling this mission, the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners and Board of Fire Commissioners appropriated

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the needed funds to purchase a belly mounted tank. The intent and desired outcome of that purchase was the development of a program in which the Huey could be employed as an initial attack asset on wildland fires within Washoe County and North Lake Tahoe Protection District. Since that time, RAVEN has participated in combating over 40 wildland fires. It has supported firefighting efforts for local as well as federal agencies, ensuring the safety, well-being and quality of life for all resident of the District. The acceptance of this Agreement continues this partnership with our local fire district ensuring they have a dedicated initial attach asset available to them for fire season. Reason for retroactive approval: contracts were submitted to the first available BCC meeting once documents were received from the various agencies and processed.

FISCAL IMPACT

The funds received per this Interlocal Agreement will be used for the operation of the RAVEN program and reimburse the Sheriff's Office for the costs incurred supporting North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District. The adopted FY 18/19 budget includes the \$10,000 revenue and associated expenditure authority in the RAVEN cost center-150720.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve the NLTFPD Interlocal Agreement — RAVEN Fire Training, Monitoring and Suppression Personnel and Equipment between the County of Washoe on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District in the amount of [\$10,000], for the retroactive period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, for the provision, when requested of a helicopter or other aircraft and personnel and approve reimbursement for services rendered throughout the year by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to be paid in accordance with the Interlocal Agreement to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Regional Aviation Unit (RAVEN).

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation a possible motion would be: Move to approve the NLTFPD Interlocal Agreement — RAVEN Fire Training, Monitoring and Suppression Personnel and Equipment between the County of Washoe on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District in the amount of [\$10,000], for the retroactive period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, for the provision, when requested of a helicopter or other aircraft and personnel and approve reimbursement for services rendered throughout the year by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to be paid in accordance with the Interlocal Agreement to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Regional Aviation Unit (RAVEN).