

# The County of Yuba

## Sheriff-Coroner

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Wendell Anderson, Sheriff-Coroner

**SUBJECT:** Sheriff-Coroner: Approve Grant Agreement with Yuba Water Agency for the purchase of specialized rescue equipment and authorize Chair to sign

**DATE:** November 10, 2020

**NUMBER:** 553/2020

### **Recommendation:**

Approve Grant Agreement between Yuba County Water Agency and Sheriff's Department for the purchase of specialized rescue equipment and authorize Chair to sign.

### **Background:**

The Yuba County Sheriff's Department's Technical Search and Rescue Team (SAR) currently has the capability to provide emergency rescue services in scuba dive operations, swiftwater/flood rescue, high/low angle rope rescue and land based search and rescue. We are also working to expand our services even more by providing urban search and rescue. The SAR team provides these services, not only to our own community, but also to other communities through mutual aid requests. In recent years, our SAR team has responded to dive missions, swiftwater rescues, flood condition rescues of stranded citizens, high water calls for service, searches for lost persons, diving for evidence, drowning recoveries, a search for a downed aircraft, removal of a stolen vehicle dumped into an irrigation canal and technical rope rescues. In order to complete the tasks assigned to the SAR team, we possess, maintain and train with a wide variety of specialized equipment.

### **Discussion:**

This grant agreement provides \$10,000 for the Yuba County Sheriff's Department SAR team to purchase specialized rescue equipment required to perform these tasks safely and provide the highest level of service to our community.

### **Committee Action:**

Due to the immediate need for the equipment, and there only being one meeting each in November and December, this item was placed directly on the Board of Supervisor's agenda.

**Fiscal Impact:**

General Fund - None

Non-General Fund - \$10,000

Source of Funds - Grant Funds from Yuba County Water Agency

*Attachments:*

553/2020 Grant Agreement