



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: May 11, 2022

SUBJECT: DCSO Illegal Marijuana Market Enforcement Grant Application

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Consideration for Board of County Commissioners to approve the 2022 Illegal Marijuana Market Enforcement Grant Application for Deschutes County Sheriff's Office. This grant is offered through the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) to fund activities associated with addressing unlawful marijuana cultivation and distribution operations.

DCSO is requesting funds to create two marijuana enforcement deputy positions and one marijuana enforcement sergeant position. Funds are also requested for specialized training in marijuana enforcement for each new position.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The Sheriff's Office is collaborating with the District Attorney's Office and Bend Police Department for countywide illegal marijuana market enforcement. This collaboration is funded through the 2021 CJC Illegal Marijuana Market Enforcement Grant. Due to the efforts of this collaboration and the success with our investigations and dismantling of illegal marijuana operations, DCSO is in need of additional personnel. This 2022 grant will provide the funds needed for this addition.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

This grant will only cover personnel wages for the three new positions, as well as the specialized required training for the duration of the grant from April 1, 2022 through December 31, 2025. The Sheriff's Office approved budget will cover all standard provisions normally and routinely provided for all deputies and sergeants.

ATTENDANCE:

Captain Paul Garrison, Deschutes County Sheriff's Office

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

The 2022 CJC Illegal Marijuana Market Enforcement Grant application deadline is May 11, 2022. However, our grant administrator for the Sheriff's Office is on pre-approved leave from May 5 through May 11, 2022. Due to this schedule conflict, the Sheriff's office has submitted this application prior to her departure, and prior to the scheduled BOCC meeting on May 11th.