

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

# Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: 1/22/08
Placement: Set Hearing

Estimated Tme: 30 minutes on 2/05/08

Continued Item: No

If Yes, date from:

Agenda Number:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Michael F. Brown, County Executive Officer

Director(s)

Contact Info: Jason Stilwell, Assistant CEO/Budget Director, 568-3413

SUBJECT: Report on Combined Sheriff/Fire Aviation Unit

### **Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors set hearing on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 to receive a report on the combined Sheriff and Fire departments' Aviation Program.

# **Summary Text:**

This hearing will provide the Board with a presentation and a report on the Santa Barbara County Aviation Program.

## **Background:**

The purpose of this report is to provide the Board of Supervisors with an overview of the County's helicopter program. The County purchased the first two helicopters in 1995 and 1996 for Sheriff operations. In 1999, the County acquired two more helicopters for the Fire Department. The program has continued to incrementally evolve since. Subsequently, the Board requested an update on the helicopter program. This report will discuss the evolution of the program to the joint Fire-Sheriff program it is today.

### **Attachments:**

None

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