

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

**Agenda Number:** 

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240

**Department Name:** CEO/Probation

**Department No.:** 012/022

For Agenda Of: August 23, 2016

Placement: Departmental

Estimated Time: 10 Minutes

Continued Item:  $N_0$ 

If Yes, date from:

**Vote Required:** Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: CEO Office: Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer, 568-3400

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Contact Info: Steve DeLira, Deputy Chief Probation Officer, 739-8588

Richard Morgantini, Fiscal & Policy Analyst, 568-3551

**SUBJECT:** Response to FY 2015-2016 Grand Jury Report: Los Prietos Boys Camp (LPBC) –

**Effective But Underutilized; All Districts** 

# **County Counsel Concurrence**

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

As to form: Yes As to form N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

## **Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Consider and adopt responses in Attachment A as the Board of Supervisors' response to the 2015-2016 Grand Jury report entitled "Los Prietos Boys Camp Effective But Underutilized", Attachment B:
- B. Authorize the Chair to sign the letter included in Attachment A and forward the letter and responses to the Presiding Judge of Santa Barbara County Superior Court; and
- C. Determine pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15378(b)(4) that the above actions are not a project subject to CEQA review, because it is a government fiscal activity that does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

#### **Summary Text:**

On June 9, 2016, the Santa Barbara County Grand Jury released a report entitled "Los Prietos Boys Camp – Effective But Underutilized". Today, the Board will consider the proposed response to the report, adopt

their preferred response and authorize the Board Chair to sign the response letter. The Board of Supervisors is named as a responder to Findings 1-4, as well as Recommendations 1-4. The Board is required to respond in writing to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court by September 7, 2016.

#### **Background:**

The Santa Barbara County Grand Jury released a report on June 9, 2016 entitled "Los Prietos Boys Camp – Effective But Underutilized". In their report the Jury found that the facility is "well-run and constitutes a major community asset". The Jury also found that the facility is currently operating well below its maximum capacity and recommends that more youth could be served for minimal additional cost. Presently, the Los Prietos Boys Camp (LPBC) is not open to female juveniles. The Grand Jury felt that as the number of female juveniles in incarceration has increased in recent months, the LPBC could be expanded to include them in this program. The Jury found that there is a mentoring program in place for youthful offenders who live in the South County and recommends that a similar program be made available to those offenders who live in the North County.

# **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Staff anticipates no fiscal or facilities impacts as a result of the Board's action on this matter.

### **Special Instructions:**

- 1. As per Recommendation B, please forward the original signed letter and responses to the Presiding Judge of Santa Barbara County Superior Court.
- 2. Please send a copy of the signed letter and a copy of the minute order to Richard Morgantini, Fiscal & Policy Analyst, County Executive Office.

## **Attachments:**

Attachment A: Board of Supervisors Response

Attachment B: Grand Jury Report; "Los Prietos Boys Camp – Effective But Underutilized".

# Authored by:

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