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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: January 10, 2017

DATE: Wednesday, December 28, 2016

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Kerri Heward, Crime Lab Director
775-321-2851, KHeward@washoecounty.us

THROUGH: Chuck Allen, Sheriff *Susan Schilling*

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve a direct grant award from the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) FY16 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program, Project No 2016-DN-BX-0086 for [\$267,156.00, no county match required] for the DNA Backlog Reduction Program for the retroactive grant period of 01/01/2017 – 12/31/2018; and if approved authorize Comptroller's Office to make necessary budget amendments; and if approved authorize Human Resources to create 1.0 FTE Criminalist Trainee position upon JEC review and approval. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) awarded the Washoe County Sheriff's Office \$267,156.00 to fund the FY16 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program. The Washoe County Sheriff's Office Forensic Science Division will utilize these funds to pay salary costs for a DNA criminalist trainee for 2 years, overtime costs, travel and training, and outsourcing the DNA testing of offender samples. The outsourcing portion of this project will be completed by Bode Technology Group. We currently have an active contract with Bode Technology that was approved at the March 20, 2015 BCC meeting.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

Prior NIJ DNA Backlog Reduction award was approved on November 10, 2015.

BACKGROUND

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office Forensic Science Division will utilize these funds to pay salary costs for a criminalist trainee for 2 years, overtime costs, travel and training of DNA analysts, and outsourcing the DNA testing of offender samples. Reason for

retroactive submittal: Item was submitted to the first available BCC meeting once received.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: 2016 NIJ DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program.

Scope of the Project: Funding for costs associated with reducing the backlog of DNA samples (both casework and offender) to be tested.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Increased capability to test pending DNA samples (both casework and offender).

On-Going Program Support: N/A

Award Amount: \$267,156.00

Grant Period: 01/01/2017 - 12/31/2018

Funding Source: Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs

Pass Through Entity: National Institute of Justice

CFDA Number: 16.741

Grant ID Number: 2016-DN-BX-0086

Match Amount and Type: No Match.

Sub-Awards and Contracts: Any equipment will be purchased using Washoe County grant procurement processes compliant with 2 *CFR* 200.317-200.326. The existing contract with Bode Technology Group will be used for analysis of arrestee database samples.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the adopted FY17 budget will be increased by \$267,156.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

INCREASE REVENUES:

tbd - 431100 (2015 DNA Backlog Reduction -Federal Grants) \$267,156.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

tbd – 701110 (2016 DNA Backlog reduction- Criminalist trainee salary for 2 years) 128,252.80
tbd – 705230 (2016 DNA Backlog reduction – Medicare) 1859.67
tbd – 70510 (2016 DNA Backlog reduction – Retirement) 35,910.78

tbd – 705110 (2016 DNA Backlog reduction Group insurance)	24,496.28
tbd – 701300 (2016 DNA Backlog reduction-Overtime)	1453.45
tbd – 710200 (2016 DNA Backlog Reduction – contract svcs)	65,778.12
tbd – 711210 (2016 DNA Backlog Reduction – travel/registration)	8,634.90
tbd- 710361 (2016 DNA Backlog Reduction –shipping costs)	770.00

Upon termination of the grant award funding, the associated position(s) will be abolished.

- No Match
- Reimbursement
 - Upfront cash from General funds
- Sponsor does not allow for indirect cost recovery

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve a direct grant award from the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) FY16 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program, Project No 2016-DN-BX-0086 for [\$267,156.00, no county match required] for the DNA Backlog Reduction Program for the retroactive grant period of 01/01/2017 – 12/31/2018; and if approved authorize Comptroller’s Office to make necessary budget amendments; and if approved authorize Human Resources to create 1.0 FTE Criminalist Trainee position upon JEC review and approval.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: move to approve a direct grant award from the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) FY16 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program, Project No 2016-DN-BX-0086 for [\$267,156.00, no county match required] for the DNA Backlog Reduction Program for the retroactive grant period of 01/01/2017 – 12/31/2018; and if approved authorize Comptroller’s Office to make necessary budget amendments; and if approved authorize Human Resources to create 1.0 FTE Criminalist Trainee position upon JEC review and approval.



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1. RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS (Including Zip Code) Washoe County Sheriff's Department 911 Parr Boulevard Reno, NV 89512-1014		4. AWARD NUMBER: 2016-DN-BX-0086	
		5. PROJECT PERIOD: FROM 01/01/2017 TO 12/31/2018 BUDGET PERIOD: FROM 01/01/2017 TO 12/31/2018	
		6. AWARD DATE 09/08/2016	7. ACTION
2a. GRANTEE IRS/VENDOR NO. 886000138	8. SUPPLEMENT NUMBER 00		Initial
2b. GRANTEE DUNS NO. 609738455	9. PREVIOUS AWARD AMOUNT		\$ 0
3. PROJECT TITLE 2016 NIJ DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program		10. AMOUNT OF THIS AWARD	\$ 267,156
		11. TOTAL AWARD	\$ 267,156
12. SPECIAL CONDITIONS THE ABOVE GRANT PROJECT IS APPROVED SUBJECT TO SUCH CONDITIONS OR LIMITATIONS AS ARE SET FORTH ON THE ATTACHED PAGE(S).			
13. STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR GRANT This project is supported under FY16(NIJ - S&LLEA DNA/Other Forensics) Pub. L. No. 114-113, 129 Stat. 2242, 2308; 28 USC 530C			
14. CATALOG OF DOMESTIC FEDERAL ASSISTANCE (CFDA Number) 16.741 - DNA Backlog Reduction Program			
15. METHOD OF PAYMENT GPRS			
AGENCY APPROVAL		GRANTEE ACCEPTANCE	
16. TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL Karol Virginia Mason Assistant Attorney General		18. TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED GRANTEE OFFICIAL Chuck Allen Sheriff	
17. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL <i>Karol V. Mason</i>		19. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED RECIPIENT OFFICIAL <i>Chuck Allen</i>	19A. DATE 9-13-16
AGENCY USE ONLY			
20. ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION CODES FISCAL FUND BUD. DIV. YEAR CODE ACT. OFC. REG. SUB. POMS AMOUNT X B DN 60 00 00 267156		21. RDNSGT0154	

OJP FORM 4000/2 (REV. 5-87) PREVIOUS EDITIONS ARE OBSOLETE.

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1. Applicability of Part 200 Uniform Requirements

The Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, as adopted and supplemented by the Department of Justice (DOJ) in 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (together, the "Part 200 Uniform Requirements") apply to this 2016 award from the Office of Justice Programs (OJP).

The Part 200 Uniform Requirements were first adopted by DOJ on December 26, 2014. If this 2016 award supplements funds previously awarded by OJP under the same award number (e.g., funds awarded in 2014 or earlier years), the Part 200 Uniform Requirements apply with respect to all funds under that award number (regardless of the award date, and regardless of whether derived from the initial award or a supplemental award) that are obligated on or after the acceptance date of this 2016 award.

For more information and resources on the Part 200 Uniform Requirements as they relate to OJP awards and subawards ("subgrants"), see the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) website at <http://ojp.gov/funding/Part200UniformRequirements.htm>.

In the event that an award-related question arises from documents or other materials prepared or distributed by OJP that may appear to conflict with, or differ in some way from, the provisions of the Part 200 Uniform Requirements, the recipient is to contact OJP promptly for clarification.

2. Compliance with DOJ Grants Financial Guide

The recipient agrees to comply with the Department of Justice Grants Financial Guide as posted on the OJP website (currently, the "2015 DOJ Grants Financial Guide"), including any updated version that may be posted during the period of performance.

3. Required training for Point of Contact and all Financial Points of Contact

Both the Point of Contact (POC) and all Financial Points of Contact (FPOCs) for this award must have successfully completed an "OJP financial management and grant administration training" by 120 days after the date of the recipient's acceptance of the award. Successful completion of such a training on or after January 1, 2015, will satisfy this condition.

In the event that either the POC or an FPOC for this award changes during the period of performance, the new POC or FPOC must have successfully completed an "OJP financial management and grant administration training" by 120 calendar days after -- (1) the date of OJP's approval of the "Change Grantee Contact" GAN (in the case of a new POC), or (2) the date the POC enters information on the new FPOC in GMS (in the case of a new FPOC). Successful completion of such a training on or after January 1, 2015, will satisfy this condition.

A list of OJP trainings that OJP will consider "OJP financial management and grant administration training" for purposes of this condition is available at <http://www.ojp.gov/training/fmts.htm>. All trainings that satisfy this condition include a session on grant fraud prevention and detection

The recipient should anticipate that OJP will immediately withhold ("freeze") award funds if the recipient fails to comply with this condition. The recipient's failure to comply also may lead OJP to impose additional appropriate conditions on this award.

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4. Requirements related to "de minimis" indirect cost rate

A recipient that is eligible under the Part 200 Uniform Requirements and other applicable law to use the "de minimis" indirect cost rate described in 2 C.F.R. 200.414(f), and that elects to use the "de minimis" indirect cost rate, must advise OJP in writing of both its eligibility and its election, and must comply with all associated requirements in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements. The "de minimis" rate may be applied only to modified total direct costs (MTDC) as defined by the Part 200 Uniform Requirements.

5. Requirement to report potentially duplicative funding

If the recipient currently has other active awards of federal funds, or if the recipient receives any other award of federal funds during the period of performance for this award, the recipient promptly must determine whether funds from any of those other federal awards have been, are being, or are to be used (in whole or in part) for one or more of the identical cost items for which funds are provided under this award. If so, the recipient must promptly notify the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) in writing of the potential duplication, and, if so requested by DOJ awarding agency, must seek a budget-modification or change-of-project-scope grant adjustment notice (GAN) to eliminate any inappropriate duplication of funding.

6. Requirements related to System for Award Management and Unique Entity Identifiers

The recipient must comply with applicable requirements regarding the System for Award Management (SAM), currently accessible at <http://www.sam.gov>. This includes applicable requirements regarding registration with SAM, as well as maintaining the currency of information in SAM.

The recipient also must comply with applicable restrictions on subawards ("subgrants") to first-tier subrecipients (first-tier "subgrantees"), including restrictions on subawards to entities that do not acquire and provide (to the recipient) the unique entity identifier required for SAM registration.

The details of the recipient's obligations related to SAM and to unique entity identifiers are posted on the OJP web site at <http://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SAM.htm> (Award condition: System for Award Management (SAM) and Universal Identifier Requirements), and are incorporated by reference here.

This special condition does not apply to an award to an individual who received the award as a natural person (i.e., unrelated to any business or non-profit organization that he or she may own or operate in his or her name).

7. All subawards ("subgrants") must have specific federal authorization

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements for authorization of any subaward. This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a "subaward" (and therefore does not consider a procurement "contract").

The details of the requirement for authorization of any subaward are posted on the OJP web site at <http://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SubawardAuthorization.htm> (Award condition: Award Condition: All subawards ("subgrants") must have specific federal authorization), and are incorporated by reference here.

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8. Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed \$150,000

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements to obtain specific advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently, \$150,000). This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a procurement "contract" (and therefore does not consider a subaward).

The details of the requirement for advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract under an OJP award are posted on the OJP web site at <http://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/NoncompetitiveProcurement.htm> (Award condition: Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract (if contract would exceed \$150,000)), and are incorporated by reference here.

9. Requirements pertaining to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements (including requirements to report allegations) pertaining to prohibited conduct related to the trafficking of persons, whether on the part of recipients, subrecipients ("subgrantees"), or individuals defined (for purposes of this condition) as "employees" of the recipient or of any subrecipient.

The details of the recipient's obligations related to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons are posted on the OJP web site at <http://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/ProhibitedConduct-Trafficking.htm> (Award condition: Prohibited conduct by recipients and subrecipients related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)), and are incorporated by reference here.

10. Compliance with applicable rules regarding approval, planning, and reporting of conferences, meetings, trainings, and other events

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies, and official DOJ guidance (including specific cost limits, prior approval and reporting requirements, where applicable) governing the use of federal funds for expenses related to conferences (as that term is defined by DOJ), including the provision of food and/or beverages at such conferences, and costs of attendance at such conferences.

Information on the pertinent DOJ definition of conferences and the rules applicable to this award appears in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide (currently, as section 3.10 of "Postaward Requirements" in the "2015 DOJ Grants Financial Guide").

11. Requirement for data on performance and effectiveness under the award

The recipient must collect and maintain data that measure the performance and effectiveness of activities under this award. The data must be provided to OJP in the manner (including within the timeframes) specified by OJP in the program solicitation or other applicable written guidance. Data collection supports compliance with the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) and the GPRA Modernization Act, and other applicable laws.

12. OJP Training Guiding Principles

Any training or training materials that the recipient -- or any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier -- develops or delivers with OJP award funds must adhere to the OJP Training Guiding Principles for Grantees and Subgrantees, available at <http://ojp.gov/funding/ojptrainingguidingprinciples.htm>.

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13. Effect of failure to address audit issues

The recipient understands and agrees that the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) may withhold award funds, or may impose other related requirements, if (as determined by the DOJ awarding agency) the recipient does not satisfactorily and promptly address outstanding issues from audits required by the Part 200 Uniform Requirements (or by the terms of this award), or other outstanding issues that arise in connection with audits, investigations, or reviews of DOJ awards.

14. The recipient agrees to comply with any additional requirements that may be imposed by the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) during the period of performance for this award, if the recipient is designated as "high-risk" for purposes of the DOJ high-risk grantee list.

15. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 42

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 42, specifically including any applicable requirements in Subpart E of 28 C.F.R. Part 42 that relate to an equal employment opportunity program.

16. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 38

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 38, specifically including any applicable requirements regarding written notice to program beneficiaries and prospective program beneficiaries. Part 38 of 28 C.F.R., a DOJ regulation, was amended effective May 4, 2016.

Among other things, 28 C.F.R. Part 38 includes rules that prohibit specific forms of discrimination on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice. Part 38 also sets out rules and requirements that pertain to recipient and subrecipient ("subgrantee") organizations that engage in or conduct explicitly religious activities, as well as rules and requirements that pertain to recipients and subrecipients that are faith-based or religious organizations.

The text of the regulation, now entitled "Partnerships with Faith-Based and Other Neighborhood Organizations," is available via the Electronic Code of Federal Regulations (currently accessible at <http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/ECFR?page=browse>), by browsing to Title 28-Judicial Administration, Chapter 1, Part 38, under e-CFR "current" data.

17. Restrictions on "lobbying"

Federal funds may not be used by the recipient, or any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, either directly or indirectly, to support or oppose the enactment, repeal, modification or adoption of any law, regulation, or policy, at any level of government.

Should any question arise as to whether a particular use of Federal funds by a recipient (or subrecipient) would or might fall within the scope of this prohibition, the recipient is to contact OJP for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of OJP.

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20. Restrictions and certifications regarding non-disclosure agreements and related matters

No recipient or subrecipient ("subgrantee") under this award, or entity that receives a procurement contract or subcontract with any funds under this award, may require any employee or contractor to sign an internal confidentiality agreement or statement that prohibits or otherwise restricts, or purports to prohibit or restrict, the reporting (in accordance with law) of waste, fraud, or abuse to an investigative or law enforcement representative of a federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

The foregoing is not intended, and shall not be understood by the agency making this award, to contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (which relates to classified information), Form 4414 (which relates to sensitive compartmented information), or any other form issued by a federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

1. In accepting this award, the recipient--

a. represents that it neither requires nor has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and

b. certifies that, if it learns or is notified that it is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds, will provide prompt written notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.

2. If the recipient does or is authorized under this award to make subawards ("subgrants"), procurement contracts, or both--

a. it represents that--

(1) it has determined that no other entity that the recipient's application proposes may or will receive award funds (whether through a subaward ("subgrant"), procurement contract, or subcontract under a procurement contract) either requires or has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and

(2) it has made appropriate inquiry, or otherwise has an adequate factual basis, to support this representation; and

b. it certifies that, if it learns or is notified that any subrecipient, contractor, or subcontractor entity that receives funds under this award is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds to or by that entity, will provide prompt written notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.

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21. Compliance with 41 U.S.C. 4712 (including prohibitions on reprisal; notice to employees)

The recipient must comply with, and is subject to, all applicable provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712, including all applicable provisions that prohibit, under specified circumstances, discrimination against an employee as reprisal for the employee's disclosure of information related to gross mismanagement of a federal grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal grant.

The recipient also must inform its employees, in writing (and in the predominant native language of the workforce), of employee rights and remedies under 41 U.S.C. 4712.

Should a question arise as to the applicability of the provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712 to this award, the recipient is to contact the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) for guidance.

22. Encouragement of policies to ban text messaging while driving

Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, "Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving," 74 Fed. Reg. 51225 (October 1, 2009), DOJ encourages recipients and subrecipients ("subgrantees") to adopt and enforce policies banning employees from text messaging while driving any vehicle during the course of performing work funded by this award, and to establish workplace safety policies and conduct education, awareness, and other outreach to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers.

23. The recipient agrees to cooperate with any assessments, national evaluation efforts, or information or data collection requests, including, but not limited to, the provision of any information required for the assessment or evaluation of any activities within this project.

24. The recipient acknowledges that the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and authorize others to use (in whole or in part, including in connection with derivative works), for Federal purposes: (1) any work subject to copyright developed under an award or subaward; and (2) any rights of copyright to which a recipient or subrecipient purchases ownership with Federal support.

The recipient acknowledges that OJP has the right to (1) obtain, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use the data first produced under an award or subaward; and (2) authorize others to receive, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use such data for Federal purposes. "Data" includes data as defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) provision 52.227-14 (Rights in Data - General).

It is the responsibility of the recipient (and of each subrecipient, if applicable) to ensure that this condition is included in any subaward under this award.

The recipient has the responsibility to obtain from subrecipients, contractors, and subcontractors (if any) all rights and data necessary to fulfill the recipient's obligations to the Government under this award. If a proposed subrecipient, contractor, or subcontractor refuses to accept terms affording the Government such rights, the recipient shall promptly bring such refusal to the attention of the OJP program manager for the award and not proceed with the agreement in question without further authorization from the OJP program office.

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25. To assist in information sharing, the award recipient shall provide the NIJ program manager with a copy of publications (including those prepared for conferences and other presentations) resulting from this award, prior to or simultaneous with their public release. NIJ defines publications as any written, visual or sound material substantively based on the project, formally prepared by the award recipient for dissemination to the public. Submission of publications prior to or simultaneous with their public release aids NIJ in responding to any inquiries that may arise. Any publications - excluding press releases and newsletters - whether published at the recipient's or government's expense, shall contain the following statement: "This project was supported by Award No. _____, awarded by the National Institute of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. The opinions, findings, and conclusions or recommendations expressed in this publication/program/exhibition are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect those of the Department of Justice." This statement shall appear on the first page of written publications. For audio and video publications, it shall be included immediately after the title of the publication in the audio or video file.
26. The recipient shall transmit to the NIJ program manager copies of all official award-related press releases at least ten (10) working days prior to public release. Advance notice permits time for coordination of release of information by NIJ where appropriate and to respond to press or public inquiries.
27. Pursuant to 28 C.F.R. Part 18, OJP may suspend or terminate funding under this award before the completion of the project funded by this award, for the recipient's failure to comply with these special conditions or with the project's goals, plans and methodology set forth in the approved application. In the case of suspension, the recipient will be unable to draw down funds until OJP determines that the recipient is in compliance.
28. The recipient and any subrecipients must comply with all applicable federal laws and regulations, including those identified in the forms entitled "Standard Assurances" and the "Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment and Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements," currently posted at <http://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Forms.htm>.
29. Approval of this award does not indicate approval of any consultant rate in excess of \$650 per day. A detailed justification must be submitted to and approved by the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) program office prior to obligation or expenditure of such funds.
30. The recipient agrees to comply with applicable requirements to report first-tier subawards of \$25,000 or more and, in certain circumstances, to report the names and total compensation of the five most highly compensated executives of the recipient and first-tier subrecipients of award funds. Such data will be submitted to the FFATA Subaward Reporting System (FSRS). The details of recipient obligations, which derive from the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (FFATA), are posted on the Office of Justice Programs web site at <http://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FFATA.htm> (Award condition: Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation), and are incorporated by reference here. This condition, and its reporting requirement, does not apply to grant awards made to an individual who received the award as a natural person (i.e., unrelated to any business or non-profit organization that he or she may own or operate in his or her name).
31. The recipient agrees that it will submit quarterly financial status reports to OJP on-line (at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov>) using the SF 425 Federal Financial Report form (available for viewing at www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/standard_forms/ff_report.pdf), not later than 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter. The final report shall be submitted not later than 90 days following the end of the award period.
32. The recipient shall submit semiannual progress reports. Progress reports shall be submitted within 30 days after the end of the reporting periods, which are June 30 and December 31, for the life of the award. These reports will be submitted to the Office of Justice Programs, on-line through the Internet at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov/>.

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33. The recipient agrees to submit a final report at the end of this award documenting all relevant project activities during the entire period of support under this award. This report will include detailed information about the project(s) funded, including, but not limited to, information about how the funds were actually used for each purpose area, data to support statements of progress, and data concerning individual results and outcomes of funded projects reflecting project successes and impacts. The final report is due no later than 90 days following the close of this award period or the expiration of any extension periods. This report will be submitted to the Office of Justice Programs, on-line through the Internet at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov/>.
34. Semiannual performance measure data reporting - Forensic DNA casework and capacity enhancement
The recipient agrees to submit applicable performance measure data regarding forensic DNA casework and capacity enhancement with its semiannual progress reports. With respect to such data, the reports should contain: (1) information regarding baseline performance metrics (for capacity enhancement projects -- the average number of days between the submission of a request for forensic biology/DNA analysis to the laboratory and the delivery of the test results to the requesting agency at the beginning of the award period, and the average number of forensic DNA samples analyzed per analyst/month at the beginning of the award period; for forensic casework DNA backlog reduction projects -- the number of backlogged forensic biology/DNA cases at the beginning of the award period); (2) progress performance metrics (for capacity enhancement projects -- the average number of days between the submission of a request for forensic biology/DNA analysis to the laboratory and the delivery of the test results to the requesting agency at the end of the reporting period, and the average number of forensic DNA samples analyzed per analyst/month at the end of the reporting period; for forensic casework DNA backlog reduction projects -- the number of backlogged forensic biology/DNA cases at the end of the reporting period, the number of forensic biology/DNA cases analyzed during the reporting period using funds provided under this award, and the number of DNA profiles from forensic analyses entered into CODIS during the reporting period as a result of the funds provided under this award); and (3) impact performance metrics (for forensic casework DNA backlog reduction projects -- the number of CODIS hits during the reporting period attributable to the forensic analyses funded under this award).

For the purposes of performance measure data reporting, a backlogged forensic biology/DNA case is defined as a forensic biology/DNA case that has not been completed within 30 days of receipt in the laboratory.

The recipient shall ensure that all required performance measure data are collected throughout the award period.

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35. Semiannual Performance Measure Data Reporting - DNA database sample analysis and capacity enhancement
If the recipient uses award funds for DNA database sample analysis or capacity enhancement, the recipient agrees to submit applicable performance measure data with its semiannual progress reports. With respect to such data, the reports should contain: (1) information regarding baseline performance metrics (for DNA database laboratory capacity enhancement projects -- the average number of DNA database samples analyzed per analyst/month at the beginning of the award period; the average number of days between the submission of a DNA database sample to the laboratory and the upload of the DNA profile to CODIS at the beginning of the award period; for DNA database backlog reduction projects -- the number of backlogged DNA database samples at the beginning of the award period); (2) progress performance metrics (for capacity enhancement projects -- the average number of DNA database samples analyzed per analyst/month at the end of the reporting period, the average number of days between the submission of a DNA database sample to the laboratory and the upload of the profile to CODIS at the end of the reporting period; for DNA database backlog reduction projects -- the number of backlogged DNA database samples at the end of the reporting period, the number of DNA database samples analyzed during the reporting period using funds from this award, and the number of DNA profiles from DNA database samples entered into CODIS during the reporting period as a result of the funds provided under this award); and (3) impact performance metrics (for DNA database backlog reduction projects - the number of CODIS hits during the reporting period resulting from DNA database profiles developed using funds provided under this award).

For the purposes of performance measure data reporting, a backlogged DNA database sample is defined as a DNA database sample that has not been completed within 30 days of receipt in the laboratory.

The recipient shall ensure that all required performance measure data are collected throughout the award period.

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36. Final performance measure data reporting

The recipient agrees to submit applicable performance measure data with its final report. With respect to data concerning forensic DNA activities, the final report should contain: (1) for forensic DNA capacity enhancement projects -- the average number of days between the submission of a request for forensic biology/DNA analysis to the laboratory and the delivery of the test results to the requesting agency at the end of the project period, and the average number of forensic DNA samples analyzed per analyst/month at the end of the project period; and (2) for forensic casework DNA backlog reduction projects -- the number of backlogged forensic biology/DNA cases at the end of the project period, the cumulative number of forensic biology/DNA cases analyzed using funds provided under this award, the cumulative number of DNA profiles from forensic analyses entered into CODIS as a result of the funds provided under this award, and the cumulative number of CODIS hits attributable to forensic DNA analyses funded under this award).

For the purposes of performance measure data reporting, a backlogged forensic biology/DNA case is defined as a forensic biology/DNA case that has not been completed within 30 days of receipt in the laboratory.

If the recipient uses award funds for DNA database sample analysis or capacity enhancement, the recipient also agrees to submit applicable performance measure data with its final report. With respect to such data, the final report should contain: (1) for DNA database laboratory capacity enhancement projects -- the average number of DNA database samples analyzed per analyst/month at the end of the project period; the average number of days between the submission of a DNA database sample to the laboratory and the upload of the profile to CODIS at the end of the project period, and (2) for DNA database backlog reduction projects -- the number of backlogged DNA database samples at the end of the project period, the cumulative number of DNA database samples analyzed using funds provided under this award, the cumulative number of profiles from DNA database samples entered into CODIS as the result of funds provided under this award, and the cumulative number of CODIS hits resulting from DNA database profiles developed using funds provided under this award.

For the purposes of performance measure data reporting, a backlogged DNA database sample is defined as a DNA database sample that has not been completed within 30 days of receipt in the laboratory.

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37. Privacy; quality assurance; CODIS/NDIS

The recipient shall ensure that each DNA analysis conducted and DNA profile generated under this award is maintained pursuant to all applicable Federal privacy requirements, including those described in 42 U.S.C. section 14132(b)(3).

The recipient shall ensure that all forensic DNA analyses conducted with funding under this award are performed either (1) by accredited government-owned laboratories, or (2) through accredited fee-for-service vendors. Accreditation must be by a nonprofit professional association of persons actively involved in forensic science that is nationally recognized within the forensic science community.

The recipient shall ensure that any laboratory that conducts forensic DNA analyses under this award undergoes external audits, not less than once every two years, that demonstrate compliance with the Quality Assurance Standards for Forensic DNA Testing Laboratories established by the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The recipient shall ensure that all eligible forensic DNA profiles obtained with funding under this award will be entered into the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS), and, where applicable, uploaded to the National DNA Index System (NDIS). No profiles generated with funding from this award may be entered into any non-governmental database without prior express written approval from NIJ.

If any government-owned forensic laboratory that will receive funding under this award to conduct forensic DNA analyses is not a member of NDIS, the laboratory must have a written agreement in place with an NDIS-participating laboratory for the resulting eligible forensic DNA profiles to be entered into CODIS, and, where applicable, uploaded into NDIS.

If the recipient operates a state-designated DNA database laboratory, the recipient shall ensure that analyses of DNA database samples and reviews of associated DNA profiles conducted with funding under this award are performed by a laboratory that (1) is accredited by a nonprofit professional association of persons actively involved in forensic science that is nationally recognized within the forensic science community; and (2) undergoes external audits, not less than once every two years, that demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the Quality Assurance Standards for DNA Databasing Laboratories established by the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The recipient shall ensure that any DNA database samples analyzed with funding under this award are analyzed for all 13 CODIS core STR loci, using commercially available PCR kits accepted by NDIS. The recipient shall also ensure that all profiles obtained from DNA database samples with funding from this award are entered into CODIS within 90 days of completion of analysis, and uploaded into NDIS.

The recipient agrees to notify NIJ promptly upon any change in the accreditation status of any of the forensic science laboratories that receive funding under this award, or their participation in NDIS.

38. No research; nonsupplanting of State or local government funds

The recipient shall ensure that none of the funds provided under this award are used for research or statistical projects or activities as defined by 28 CFR Part 22 or for research as defined by 28 CFR Part 46. Any questions concerning this provision should be directed to the NIJ program manager for the award.

The recipient shall ensure that Federal funds made available through this award will not supplant State or local government funds, but instead will be used to increase the amount of funds that would, in the absence of Federal funds, be available from State or local government sources for activities funded through this award.

The recipient agrees to notify NIJ promptly if the recipient receives new State or local government funding for any of the purposes included in the approved application for this award.

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39. The recipient agrees to notify NIJ promptly upon any significant reduction in the recipient's estimate of the number of backlogged forensic DNA cases that will be analyzed within twenty-four months using the funds provided under this fiscal year 2016 award, above and beyond those that will be analyzed using funds from other sources.

If applicable, the recipient agrees to notify NIJ promptly upon any significant reduction in the recipient's estimate of the number of DNA database samples that will be analyzed, or associated DNA profiles reviewed, within twenty-four months using the funds provided under this fiscal year 2016 award, above and beyond those that can be analyzed or reviewed using funds from other sources.

40. The recipient understands and agrees that gross income (revenues) from fees charged for DNA testing services constitutes program income (in whole or in part), and that program income must be determined, used, and documented in accordance with the provisions of 2 C.F.R. 200.307, including as applied to the NIJ DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program by the Department of Justice (DOJ) Grants Financial Guide, as it may be revised from time to time. The recipient further understands and agrees that both program income earned during the award period and expenditures of such program income must be reported on the quarterly and final Federal Financial Reports (SF 425) and are subject to audit.

The recipient understands and agrees that program income earned during the award period only may be expended only for permissible uses of funds specifically identified in the solicitation for the NIJ FY 2016 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program. The recipient further understands and agrees that program income earned during the award period may not be used to supplant State or local government funds, but instead may be used only to increase the amount of funds that would, in the absence of Federal funds or program income, be available from State or local government sources for the permissible uses of funds listed in the FY 2016 program solicitation.

The recipient understands and agrees that program income that is earned during the final ninety (90) days of the award period may, if appropriate, be obligated (as well as expended) for permissible uses during the ninety-day (90-day) period following the end of the award period. The recipient further understands and agrees that any program income earned during the award period that is not obligated and expended within ninety (90) days of the end of the award period must be returned to OJP.

41. The recipient understands and agrees that, throughout the award period, it must promptly notify NIJ if it either starts or stops charging fees for DNA testing services, or if it revises its method of allocating fees received for DNA testing services to program income. Notice must be provided in writing to the NIJ program manager for the award within ten (10) business days of implementation of the change.
42. Absent prior express written approval from NIJ, rates for any lodging charged to the award may not exceed the posted GSA rate for the location. (If the recipient opts to obtain lodging at a higher rate, the cost differential, including associated taxes, may not be charged to the award.)

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43. The recipient agrees to comply with all Federal, State, and local environmental laws and regulations applicable to the development and implementation of the activities to be funded under this award.

Environmental Assessment (EA): The recipient agrees and understands that funded activities (whether conducted by the recipient or subrecipients or contractors) may require the preparation of an EA as defined by the Council on Environmental Quality's Regulations for implementing the Procedural Provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), found at 40 CFR Part 1500. An EA is a concise public document that briefly provides sufficient analysis for determining whether to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) or a finding of no significant impact for the proposed activity. If in completing an EA for a proposed activity, potential adverse environmental impacts are identified, the EA will serve as a vehicle for developing either alternative approaches or mitigation measures for avoiding or reducing the identified adverse environmental impacts.

Modifications: Throughout the term of this award, the recipient agrees that for any activity that is the subject of a completed EA, it will inform NIJ of— (1) any change(s) that it is considering making to the previously assessed activity that may be relevant to environmental impact; or (2) any proposed new activities or changed circumstances that may require assessment as to environmental impact, such as new activities that involve the use of chemicals or involve construction or major renovation. The recipient will not implement a proposed change or new activity until NIJ, with the assistance of the recipient, has determined whether the proposed change or activity (or changed circumstances) will require additional review under NEPA. Approval for implementation will not be unreasonably withheld as long as any requested modification(s) is consistent with eligible program purposes and found acceptable under an NIJ-conducted environmental impact review process.

44. The recipient may not obligate, expend, or draw down any funds until the program office has verified that the recipient has submitted all necessary documentation required to comply with the Department of Justice Procedures for Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act found at 28 CFR Part 61 (including Appendix D), and a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) has been issued removing this condition.
45. The recipient may not obligate, expend, or draw down any funds until a revised proposal (and any necessary modifications to the budget and budget narrative) has been received and approved by the National Institute of Justice, and a Grant Adjustment Notice has been issued removing this condition.
46. With respect to this award, federal funds may not be used to pay cash compensation (salary plus bonuses) to any employee of the award recipient at a rate that exceeds 110% of the maximum annual salary payable to a member of the federal government's Senior Executive Service (SES) at an agency with a Certified SES Performance Appraisal System for that year. (An award recipient may compensate an employee at a higher rate, provided the amount in excess of this compensation limitation is paid with non-federal funds.)

This limitation on compensation rates allowable under this award may be waived on an individual basis at the discretion of the OJP official indicated in the program announcement under which this award is made.

47. The Project Director and key program personnel designated in the application shall be replaced only for compelling reasons. Successors to key personnel must be approved, and such approval is contingent upon submission of appropriate information, including, but not limited to, a resume. OJP will not unreasonably withhold approval. Changes in other program personnel require only notification to OJP and submission of resumes, unless otherwise designated in the award document.

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Memorandum To: Official Grant File

From: Alissa Genovese, Program Manager

Subject: Environmental Assessment for Washoe County Sheriff's Department

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**GRANT MANAGER'S MEMORANDUM, PT. I:
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This project is supported under FY16(NIJ - S&LLEA DNA/Other Forensics) Pub. L. No. 114-113, 129 Stat. 2242, 2308; 28 USC 530C

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3a. TITLE OF THE PROGRAM

DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

**3b. POMS CODE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS
ON REVERSE)**

4. TITLE OF PROJECT

2016 NIJ DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

5. NAME & ADDRESS OF GRANTEE

Washoe County Sheriff's Department
911 Parr Boulevard
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6. NAME & ADDRESS OF SUBGRANTEE

7. PROGRAM PERIOD

FROM: 01/01/2017 TO: 12/31/2018

8. BUDGET PERIOD

FROM: 01/01/2017 TO: 12/31/2018

9. AMOUNT OF AWARD

\$ 267,156

10. DATE OF AWARD

09/08/2016

11. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET

12. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT

13. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET PERIOD

14. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT

15. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT (See instruction on reverse)

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Forensic Science Division (WCSO-FSD) is the agency that is responsible for analyzing forensic evidence associated with criminal investigations for all state and local law enforcement agencies within the northern region of the state of Nevada. The WCSO-FSD Biology Unit is responsible for overseeing DNA analysis and subsequent upload to NDIS of forensic profiles and DNA samples collected from all convicted felons and felony arrests within the northern portion of the state. As the designated state CODIS laboratory, they are responsible for uploading all eligible database profiles submitted from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Forensic Laboratory as well.

The number of cases that the WCSO-FSD Biology Unit receives each year has continued to rise. With the current staffing numbers, the Biology Unit is unable to keep up with the demand for DNA testing. With the creation of the Sexual Assault Kit Working Group in Nevada, it is expected that the number of sexual assault cases submitted to the laboratory for DNA testing will further increase the demand for DNA testing. This award will be used to fund a Criminalist position. This

Criminalist will screen and prepare sample batches so that they are ready for DNA testing. This Criminalist will also complete the quality control functions needed within the Biology Unit. This grant will fund the outsourcing of 2,053 arrestee sample analysis and overtime needed for the in-house technical review and upload of these samples. These funds will be essential to ensure that these samples are rapidly processed and uploaded into CODIS. This award will be specifically used for the following goals:

1. Reduce the backlog and turnaround times of forensic biology/DNA cases and increase the capacity of the Biology Unit.
2. Ensure a rapid turnaround time of DNA database samples.
4. Provide continuing education for 5 DNA Criminalists in the laboratory.

The WCSO-FSD expects that the Criminalist will screen and prepare samples for approximately 360 Forensic Biology cases throughout the course of the grant. The laboratory expects to maintain a rapid turnaround time of 67 days or less for arrestee sample analysis; decrease the Forensic Biology casework turnaround time to less than 122 days; decrease the number of backlogged cases to less than 167, and increase the average number of samples analyzed per analyst per month to 30.

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